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## [ *The Voice of the Fraternity* ]

Address your letter to the Editor at 609 East 74th Terrace, Kansas City, Mo. The quality of our magazine will improve in direct proportion to the number of Sig Eps who contribute items to it and who participate in its policies by expressing themselves thoughtfully, truthfully, and constructively.

### **October Cover**

Please change my address for receiving the JOURNAL from 1021 Caton Avenue, Elmira, N.Y., to 669 East Tower Road, Ithaca, N.Y. However, if you plan any more covers like the October number, just skip the whole thing.

I can see no reason why an organization supposedly devoted to furthering the cause of fraternities should give their opponents free ammunition. There are bound to be halfbaked exhibitionists in an organization, but that hardly seems to justify singling them out for special publicity at the expense of the more normal element. Your cover typifies what fraternities don't stand for. Let's keep the covers a little more representative and a lot less asinine.—J. CHARLES JONES, Pennsylvania Kappa, '42.

▪ *Reader Jones would do well to pack up in his kitbag any sourpuss tendencies and learn to smile when he sees youth enjoying good, clean, wholesome fun.*—Ed.

### **Plea for Coverage**

We youngsters in Tallahassee probably should not wish for much. But we are going on being strong in our belief that by some hook or crook you will find a way to get Tallahassee in the next JOURNAL.

On October 22, Florida Alpha Alumni Corporation held its annual meeting, and in that meeting it was agreed that one of the important alumni relations mediums was not being developed to its proper position because of the limited size of our JOURNAL.—LUCIUS B. GRAVELY, III, Florida Alpha, '43.

▪ *Allowance should be made for the fact that the JOURNAL is now being published six times a year instead of four, so that the year's total coverage is far greater than it has ever been. Although undergraduate doings have the first and much the largest claim on JOURNAL space, the June issue will be an exception and has been planned as an Alumni Issue. It is not too early for alumni group correspondents to begin to plan their contributions for that issue now. For Tallahassee's current report, see "With The Alumni."*

### **Chapter List**

The JOURNAL is being issued six times a year. I am sure that it happens occasionally, and perhaps more often than we think, that many of the brothers would like to know where our active chapters are located. Would it be advisable to publish in the JOURNAL twice a year a list showing each chapter and its address? This could be done by having a page set up which would be inserted say in each February and August issue.—GRAHAM WHITE, North Carolina Epsilon, '23, secretary, Louisville Alumni Chapter, Louisville, Ky.

▪ *See JOURNAL for June, 1949. The directory will appear again in February.*

### **Example**

I believe you might be interested in this clipping from *The Saturday Evening Post*, which is taken from a war memoir of General Eichelberger, and serves to show one influence of a national college fraternity when it is operated on Christian principles.

"There were several occasions when, through us, American prisoners were able to fend for Japanese camp guards who had been just and kindly. One American group brought their guards with them to Yokohama to insure good treatment. And it was my pleasure to befriend a Mr. K. Domoto who had remained to protect American sick when other camp attendants fled. Mr. Domoto was, I discovered, a graduate of Amherst College and a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity there."—FRANK C. McTAGUE, JR., New York Beta, Taylor Lane, Bayville, N.Y.

### **Wayfarer in Ohio**

We have recently moved into southern Ohio and I should like very much to know the location of any alumni groups in this section, other than Columbus.—HENRY H. GRAM, Wisconsin Alpha, '34, 735 Oakland Avenue, Washington Court House, Ohio.

### **Our Cover**

LOOKS as though it might be a grand slam in hearts. That's what it is, says Indiana Beta's Bill Allen, who took the photo, because these men all became loyal followers of the Heart upon their initiation last September 18. Left to right, they are: Joe Eickenberry, Jim Orr, Don Congram, Warren Weiss, Herb Butler, and Jack Van Kirk.

# *That's about Everything*

## **Notes at Press Time**

■ District X, which includes the Illinois and Indiana chapters, has a new assistant District Governor to aid Governor Russ Pratt, new Junior Grand Marshal. He is Robert Pitt, Minnesota, '32, who served as finance chairman of the recent Chicago Conclave. More about him next issue.

■ The new address for the editor of the JOURNAL is 609 East 74th Terrace, Kansas City, Mo.

Although New York has been a grand city in which to work and live, the editor exuberantly expects Kansas City to be even better.

One excellent feature already discovered is the weather.

Another is the Kansas City Alumni Chapter. The editor enjoyed a fine time at the chapter's dinner meeting November 15 and pleasantly visited with such alumni stalwarts of their chapters as Dick Southall, of Baker; Herb Roush and Slim Elting of Missouri; George Akright, of Kansas; and Judge Earle W. Frost, of Kansas State, who although he has held every honor in Sigma Phi Epsilon, including the Grand Presidency, still attends the monthly meetings unflinchingly. Current president of the group is Harley Schmidt, Iowa Wesleyan.

■ Right about the time the editor of the JOURNAL was making a preliminary trip to Kansas City, sizing it up closely for its generally attractive qualities, Brother David Leslie MacKintosh, Minnesota Alpha, '20, a professor at Kansas State College, was checking in at the Aladdin Hotel on Wyandotte Street to attend Kansas City's super horse show, The American Royal. Next morning he reported to police that someone had entered his room and lifted \$100 from his trousers while he slept.

■ The 1949 meeting of the National Interfraternity Council which took place at Thanksgiving time was outstanding for a number of reasons: Held at Washington, D.C., it was one of the two such get-togethers since the founding of the Conference in 1909 to be held away from New York City. Also, the voice of the undergraduates on questions entailing their own campus IFC problems was for the first time distinctly heard. By no means least was the generous participation in the sessions by leaders in the nation's government.

Sigma Phi Epsilon's delegates and alternate delegates to the Conference, as chosen at the

Conclave in Chicago were: Hindman, Thompson, Phillips, Kelly, and Robson.

Names of the undergraduate Sig Eps who represented their local campus IFCs at the Conference will be given in the next JOURNAL along with a report of the proceedings.

■ The Interfraternity Council of the University of Oklahoma at Norman sponsored a nationally attended Interfraternity Workshop from October 18 to 23. Among those in charge of individual workshop discussions were Warren W. Etcheson, administrative secretary of Delta Chi; Leo S. Cade, Sigma Alpha Epsilon national official; Paul C. Beam, Phi Delta Theta executive secretary; Roy C. Clark, Acacia executive secretary; William W. Hindman, Jr., Sig Ep Grand Secretary; and Col. Ralph W. Wilson, chairman of the N.I.C. Scholarship Officers Association. Chief speaker at the seven-day meeting was Judge Frank H. Myers, Kappa Alpha Order, chairman of the N.I.C.

■ Henceforth the JOURNAL should become somewhat improved through the advent of a lively new alumni correspondent. He is Keith Congdon, who put in his collegiate years at Colorado State, and has now set his hand to reporting Dallas doings. Brother Congdon footnoted a recent report with this sentence: "To see these brothers storm into Dallas on Friday from Austin and Norman, spend most of the night in pre-game celebration, relax for a few hours with six in a bed or on the floor, attend a grueling game and then be ready for a dinner dance that night is one of the wonders of the world to an alumnus 25 years off the campus."

■ Best job of undergraduate reporting this time we judge was done by Bob Flore of the Missouri Mines chapter. His correspondence covered a wide range of subjects, it was extremely neat and well phrased in its presentation, and he came through with some good photos.

■ Uncle Billy Phillips has written an article on the late Clifford B. Scott and the Scott scholarship awards, which will appear in the next issue along with a list of recent Award winners.

Planned for that issue also is publication of the five songs which won prizes in the Fraternity's Song Contest, but those editing the Song Book still have some work to do on them.

SIGMA PHI EPSILON

Journal

No one could tell me where  
my soul might be;  
I searched for God but He  
eluded me;  
I sought my brother out and  
found all three.  
—Ernest Howard Crosby

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DEADLINES: 25TH OF THE FOLLOWING MONTHS: JUNE,  
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IN the new Kentucky house in a third-floor study room, Pledge Jim Marvin tries to study. Right or wrong, he appears to be approaching his task much as Jim Campbell of Marshall did in the last JOURNAL (October, page 106).

No matter how you do it, according to Dean Dubach in this issue, "Study is a Natural Product." Monmouth's scholarship chairman Jerry Mathis agrees with the thesis set forth but states in a brief article of his own that an effective program in the chapter house must begin with the individual.

Other features in this issue deal with other phases of Sig Ep life and progress, including a farewell article by Vic Vanaman, a former field man who is now a worker in the student affairs office at Purdue; a commentary on friendship by Grand Chaplain McCaul, a welcome contributor to these pages who has been a loving observer of Sig Ep activities since 1901.

A biographical article is included on new Grand Officer Russ Pratt, while the departments, especially the chapter letters, are all present in full strength. —J. R.

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**I**t is in group living that men learn virtue, diligence, and brotherly love. They cannot very well learn what acts they might possibly commit will benefit others unless they live with others. They cannot come to know what acts will harm their fellow men unless they come in contact with their fellow men.

In this lies the guiding principle of the family unit in society; in this principle lies the great worth of Fraternity Row, in which young men learn to get along with their fellows. The college fraternity, in the words of Leland F. Leland, editor of the *Fraternity Month*, "is the greatest youth movement ever devised."

Fraternity groups and families alike come to learn that "It takes a heap o' livin' to make a house a home."

On these pages are random photographs from the chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon, which, in some way or other, depict or reflect the process of development.

Two of the pictures included are from the new home of Kentucky Alpha at Lexington. Of their new home, Jack Kain and Davis Fields write as follows:

"Like all good fraternities, Kentucky Alpha is always looking for something better—for something which will benefit both the chapter as a group, and its members individually. This summer the chapter came into possession of one of these necessary "somethings," a new, adequate fraternity home.

Kentucky Alpha pledge Ralph Shell was behind the camera for this night shot.



Ed Merkle and Bob Bostwick, of Baldwin-Wallace, left to right, relax in their home.

## Fraternity Row

"The new home at 509 East Main Street was acquired, on very lenient terms, from a University faculty member. The negotiations were handled by alumni treasurer Tom Boyd, faculty member Dr. Rhea Taylor, alum Wally Morgan, and chapter president Joe Bennewitz. A house corporation was formed with Dr. Taylor as president, and with Zeke Shaver, Wally Morgan, Tom Boyd, and the chapter president as members.

"The Sig Ep mansion, as it is known on the campus, is located on the main street of Lexington in the city's finest residential district. It is about eight blocks from the campus, and four from the heart of town.



Michigan Sig Eps have proved their diligence as "the best singing fraternity."



All in the family at Ohio State . . . Dick Anson and a pup known as "Dude" (mascot).



More family stuff at Kentucky. Mom Sweatt is flanked by two active men.

## A S A B U I L D E R O F M E N

"The main floor of the house consists of a large reception hall and open staircase, dining room, living room, kitchen, and accommodations for the housemother. The basement is being made into a suite of recreation and meeting rooms. The second floor has seven rooms with three interconnecting baths. The third floor has three large rooms, a shower room, and several large storage closets.

"At present 43 members and pledges live in the house. Approximately 50 eat their meals in the house dining-room.

"Every member of the chapter has scrubbed floors and painted walls to make his house more attractive and livable."

Wisconsin Alpha's pledge banquet . . . A local nightclub entertainer makes it lively.





With the beginning of a new college year, the chapters at Drury, California, and Kentucky get new houses, while Arkansas moves back into the one it owned more than ten years ago.

It's the Sig Ep house again. After more than ten years of inactivity, the Arkansas chapter recovered their old home at Fayetteville. It sleeps 30, while 40 may dine.

## SIG EPS ARE CERTAIN TO MAKE

Drury, a new chapter, has recently acquired this house at 1035 North Jefferson Avenue, Springfield, Mo. Situated near campus, it will accommodate 17 men.







New home for University of California Sig Eps is this two-story frame structure north of campus at 2251 Hearst Ave., Berkeley. It has 14 spacious rooms, 3 baths, and adequate kitchen facilities. There are 30 men presently living in.

## REAL HOMES OF THESE HOUSES

Kentucky house is largest fraternity house on campus and is called the "Mansion." It has 28 rooms, 7 baths, and 5 basement rooms. Of red brick, it houses 40.





"Sig Eps Welcome Grads," reads the sign back of a ferocious beast which guards the entrance. Gravestones are intended for Thiel's football opponents.

## AT HOMECOMING THE LATCH-STRING

Kentucky's new house, this time all spruced up for the alumni, comes into the limelight again. "Home is where the heart is," reads slogan above portico.

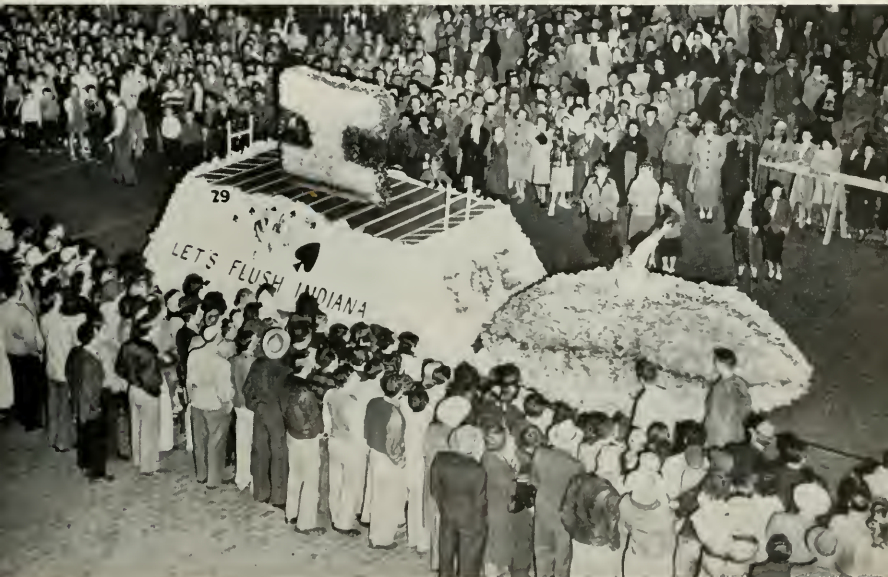




Penn State men did give the Nebraska boys some trouble, for Penn State won game 23-7. Deroy Mark was in charge of the committee which decorated the lawn.

## STAYS OUT AS A SHOW GOES ON

You'd think Iowa was heading for the Rose Bowl, judging by the terrific turnout of spectators for the Sig Ep float. Jim Showers snapped photo.







Men of Miami University (Ohio) in full-strength array in front of their home at Oxford.

## Friendship in a Good Fraternity

By REV. THOMAS V. McCAUL

**Our Grand Chaplain, from a vantage point of mellow years, cites these essentials: a common bond; mutual confidence; service; a bit of sacrifice.**

**A**s I look backwards at the recent Conclave in Chicago, I am reminded of the real meaning of our beloved Fraternity. Precious recollections of my old college comrades rush into my heart. I feel as Louise Tarkington felt when she wrote:

*I wish there were some wonderful place  
Called The Land of Beginning Again  
Where all our mistakes and all our heartaches  
And all our poor selfish grief  
Could be dropped, like a shabby old coat, at  
the door  
And never put on again.*

Life would be dreary and dull indeed if it were not for friends. How often we find ourselves thinking and saying in hours of disappointment and sorrow: "Thank God for Friends! Without them I could not en-

sure this affliction and loss. Without them I could not carry on."

A little boy defined a friend as "A feller who knows all about you and likes you just the same."

Someone has said that "Explanations serve little or no purpose; for friends do not need or demand them, and enemies will not believe them."

Mr. Emerson was quite correct when he said, "He who has a thousand friends has not one to spare; and he who has one enemy will meet him everywhere."

One of the most disconcerting and disappointing experiences in life and one that tends to shake a person's faith in humanity is to have someone who professes to be a friend and accepts your confidence, and who because of cowardice, self-interest, or the fear of others, proves himself to be *not* a good friend.

As Frank S. Smith wrote:

*If you're going to be his friend,  
Be his friend.  
Let him know that you are there  
With aid to lend.  
Let him know you're by his side,  
And that no matter what betide,  
In you he safely can confide  
That you're his friend.*

Of course, we ought to think kindly of all men. We ought to cherish good will and sympathy for everybody, and try to help everybody. But it is a privilege to have special individuals and groups of friends who are closer to our hearts than any others. I

feel this is especially true of our school friends. There is a romance and a thrill about school friendships not to be found in any other period of life. Memories sweep over our souls like a tidal wave when we meet our old college chums. Consider for a moment the special college groups where these young people meet together in the inner circle of mysteries and secrets and pledge undying love and loyalty for one another and to their brothers everywhere, as in Sigma Phi Epsilon. There is nothing like it in all the world.

Now there are certain essentials for true friendship, three of which I suggest.

1. *A Common Bond.* Usually friends must have some points in common. Perhaps they must be in the same business or profession or calling. They must be somewhat inclined to the same pleasures and kinds of recreation. They must also share likes and dislikes concerning things right and wrong—ideals and real values in life.

2. *Mutual Confidence.* This is quite evident. There can be no friendship where confidence is wanting. I have seen many friendships broken by loss of confidence—sometimes due to real reason and sometimes due to fancied unworthiness. I think this is one reason that the Great Master and Teacher said: "If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother." (Matt. 18:15). Many friendships have been kept by



Founder McCaul greets Field Secretary Carl O. Peterson (left) at dinner for Honsemother Turner, while chapter president Byron T. Cooksey smiles approval.

following this injunction. We do our friends great wrong when we cherish some rumor or piece of gossip. We should prove such.

3. *Service and Sacrifice.* "A friend loveth at all times." We are quite familiar with the old saying: "A friend in need is a friend indeed." Secular and sacred literature furnish inspiring examples of holy friendship established and proven in the crucible of Service and Sacrifice. When a certain illustrious man was requested to give some explanation of his successful and useful life, he replied: "I had a friend."

Yes, true friendship is proven by service and sacrifice. That is what the author of "The House by the Side of the Road" means.



Brothers at Indiana learning the art of competition like gentlemen . . . through fraternity.

# Scholarship as a Natural Product

By DEAN U. G. DUBACH

Our Scholarship Chairman declares the three basic principles of our membership mean nothing unless we pledge men of character and brains.

SIGMA PHI EPSILON is a great national social fraternity—at least we say so. If it is great there are two reasons. First, because of its basic principles; and second, because individual chapters maintain these principles within the chapter—but more important in the lives of the individual members.

What are the basic principles of Sigma Phi Epsilon?

VIRTUE. To me this means cleanness in thought and action, honesty in classroom and out, respect for all womanhood at all times. A fraternity should be an island of refuge for the tempted instead of an agency to mislead. Yet, we fraternity men try to excuse ourselves for occasional lapses and indulgences. What reason is there to expect a man to be faithful on a job or in his home when he breaks faith with his fraternity in this first and fundamental principle? As a man lives in college, so he is most likely to be in after life.

DILIGENCE is the second cardinal principle of Sigma Phi Epsilon. This can only mean we are trusted with certain abilities, talents, if you please, to be used for ourselves and others. There can be no excuse for a fraternity man to produce below his possibilities. This means a daily plan, properly executed. No loafing—no sloppy work—no excuses. Furthermore, the chapter should be an island of strength for the ones who are



Dean U. G. Dubach . . . "Let's go after this fraternity business in a serious way."

tempted to waste time and talent. A good fraternity is exactly that. We need to remember this is our only college opportunity. Some one said "Yesterday is gone, tomorrow may never come, today only is yours." And so it is. How our chapter standings would change if all of us were willing to act upon this cardinal principle of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

BROTHERLY LOVE is number three and equally important. This is not slush or soft stuff. Unless a fraternity is a tie that binds our hearts in affection, it is nothing. Any football team that is tops has learned that every man must play for every other man and the team as a whole and not for himself. The moment selfishness and stardom enters, team success is impossible. So it is in the Fraternity. We need to ask ourselves constantly—do we knock our brothers down—are we neutral—or do we help them up and help them stay up? Here again an island of helpfulness is needed. If all of us lived up to this great principle of our Fraternity, mothers and fathers would call us blessed and send their sons to our care willingly. Furthermore, public criticism would vanish. Remember—Virtue, Diligence, and Brotherly Love.

The second part of my article dwells on the "process" or the "how" to produce a chapter that keeps in mind and practices

the three great principles of fraternity life and conduct.

*First*, choose the right pledges. There are but two great and absolute requirements for a good pledge—character and brains. Oh, I know all the other factors we talk about such as social proficiency, activities, etc., etc. However, I am sure you can teach a boy with brains to press his pants, use the right tools at the table at the right time, to meet the girls properly, etc. On the other hand a prospect may have social proficiency and lack character—and hence is not only a total loss to the chapter but a bad influence. I'd say never pledge an athlete. Of course, if a prospect has character and brains and happens to be an athlete, go after him. He's what Sigma Phi Epsilon wants and needs. He'll ask no favors nor accept concessions further. Never pledge a "big shot." He's likely to be burned out, has had so many honors they are stale. He will assume he is doing the Fraternity a favor by pledging. He will expect you to kiss his feet for four years. Of course, if a boy has character and brains and happens to have been a leader in high school, by all means go after him. You will need his kind and he'll need you. Be sure you do not do less than pledge the best. Remember you cannot make something out of nothing. Most of all you cannot make a fraternity man out of a rotter—even if you do give him a fraternity pin. Character and brains are imperative in this business.

*Second*, train the pledges properly. Even good pledges can develop into bad members. All of this means the house is responsible for training the pledges properly. What do you teach your pledges? The names of the campus sororities, the Greek pins on the campus and like facts? All these are good but far, far from good enough. Do you inculcate by word and deed the three great principles of our Fraternity? Do you permit the sophomores to be the directors of the pledges, to use paddles to develop strong men? I have yet to see fraternity spirit gotten into pledges through the seat of the pants. I have had house presidents tell me they planned to give the pledges "hell" tonight. My answer—what kind? Such presidents did not recognize that each

### Conclave Resolutions on Scholarship

1. That our chapters do not pledge boys in the lower three deciles until such boys have made grades equal to the graduation requirements of the institution.

2. That the chapters require for initiation grades at least equal to the graduation requirements of the institution.

3. That the chapters set as a minimum standard for the house a grade average at least equal to the all-men average of the institution.

4. That where pledges do not make the grade required within any school year the pledges be broken. This would not prevent repledging when the students make our required grades.

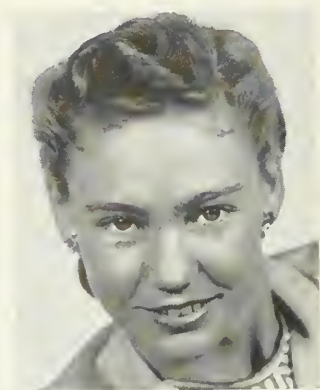
5. That each chapter analyze its experience of the past year, pointing out where it had been successful and also wherein it had failed, in both instances giving reasons why. Furthermore, that each chapter give its plans for the succeeding year, indicating the grade standing it has set for itself in the coming year in relation to the other fraternities on the campus.

pledge is an individual problem. How wonderful it would be if the president of the house were imbued with understanding of—and the practice of—the three great principles—then personally willing to give the time to understand the problems and personality of each pledge—to offer to him and introduce him to the great ideals for which Sigma Phi Epsilon stands. All this could be if we, as Fraternity, were willing to be "good" fraternity men and not only good, but good for something in the great business of building men in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

*Third*, initiate properly. How can a real fraternity indulge in, and be proud of "Hell Week"? There's nothing funny about the practice of Hell Week. It is destructive of men, both the body and spirit. How can a tired, sore, and frightened boy absorb the great spiritual truths of Sigma Phi Epsilon? Brothers—the initiation is a critical moment. The pledging is the engagement, the initiation is the marriage—the life contract. How



## ★ HABITAT HEROINE ★



MRS. STANLEY C. PERKINSON  
John B. Stetson University

MRS. STANLEY C. PERKINSON, Florida Beta's first housemother, has been active in the social and culinary affairs of the chapter since shortly after its inception in January of this year.

She was born near Wichita, Kan., in 1924, and attended Kansas State Teachers College during the war. She was married to Brother Perkinson at Boca Raton, Fla., in 1945 and they have a three-year old son, Dennis.

Mrs. Perkinson was instrumental in organizing the house dining-room, the only one on the Stetson campus. The Perkinsons have an apartment on the ground floor of the house.

A sweetheart pin was presented to her as part of the intermission ceremonies at the Queen of Hearts Dance in the Spring.

Her husband, Brother Stanley Perkinson of Portsmouth, Ohio, and St. Petersburg, Fla., is a senior in the College of Law at Stetson.

Florida Beta submits Mrs. Perkinson as Sig Ep's youngest and prettiest housemother.

fine it is to have the pledges at ease, rested—some hours alone for introspection and contemplation. Then if some elder brother who has what I call "it"—real fraternity in his life blood—will take ten or twenty minutes to give him a preview or glimpse of what he may expect, will ask and interpret the three great preliminary questions—talk to him about *God* as the Ritual requires. Then and then only will a great experience result. Will a great fraternity man be born into Sigma Phi Epsilon? This can happen. It's up to us to see that it does happen at every initiation.

*Fourth* and finally, help initiated men to grow. Too often we give initiates the feeling they are finished products as soon as we decorate them with the Sigma Phi Epsilon heart. When instead they are just born into a great brotherhood and ready to grow. And they will grow, either away from the Fraternity or into its great fellowship. How they grow depends on how those already members *live* in and out of the house. The results will depend more on what you do than what you say. Remember—we never arrive if we are the right kind of fraternity men—we keep developing to the end. Remember a fraternity pin never made a fraternity man. Neither did a fine house make a good fraternity. No house ever made a home. Only people—by righteous living make real homes. By the same token—only by right living is a real fraternity made. It all depends on us on what is in our hearts.

The great Knute Rockne once said to his team as they went out to play a crucial game the following: "Fellows, you are physically fit. I have the trainer's report on each of you. You know your football. I trained you myself and know. But I do not know what is in your hearts. If you have the will to win, you will win. A team that won't be beaten, can't be beaten."

You have in your hands a great fraternity program. Whether you develop great chapters depends on you—upon what is in your hearts. May all of you be inspired by the three great principles—Virtue, Diligence, and Brotherly Love. Then you and we will win. We cannot be beaten.

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# An Ex-Field Man Sums Things Up

By CHARLES V. VANAMAN

**A newly retired troubleshooter along Fraternity Row cites remembrances, speaks a serious word, and says "All seems well in our brotherly domain."**

**D**URING the past few years it has become traditional for retiring field secretaries to present to our membership, through the medium of the JOURNAL, some recollections of their travels and chapter observations and vouchsafe a word about Sig Ep progress in general. Since it has always been a pleasure for me to conform with our Fraternity's traditions I find my present task of "reciting fond recollections" an extremely pleasant one.

After graduation I felt, as do so many Sig Ep graduates, that my chapter days were far too few and too grand; therefore, I wanted to do something to further our Fraternity, and to also make it possible for others to have the opportunity to gain the same experience. When I was given the opportunity to serve as field secretary, my decision to accept was easy.

In Richmond, Virginia, a city of great historical importance and the home of our National Headquarters, I received the meticulous training required of our field secretaries previous to their being sent on the road. Bill Hindman, Ray McCron, and Frank Ruck were very able instructors in all phases of fraternity operations. They are also strong tacticians in this fraternity business which is certainly not one of the easiest businesses in operation today.

The meticulous training proved of definite value later on, because a field secretary's



Vic Vanaman snapped on an itinerary.

real worth lies in his ability to "troubleshoot" a chapter during the two or three days of his visitation. The era of "the glad-hander from the Central Office" has long since passed and today our field secretaries can best be identified as men who act as agents between the chapter and the Central Office, the chapter and its alumni board, the chapter and its alumni members, the chapter and the school, the chapter and every other chapter, the Central Office and the school and between our Fraternity and every other fraternity.

To understand fully and adequately explain our Fraternity's amazing success was certainly not easy for me at first; however, after meeting Uncle Billy Phillips (this was my greatest thrill in Sigma Phi Epsilon for obvious reasons) I found that I had a pretty good basis with which to start. Later, and after closely associating and working with the members of the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees it all became very clear. We have excellent guidance in these members.

Our expansion program the past few years has prompted much discussion and many opinions, both pro and con, have been voiced on the subject. Personally, I am very much in favor of the program because I believe it to be sound and healthy for our Fraternity. In every instance, to the best of

my knowledge, expansion came only after the most professional investigation possible. It might be interesting to state the Central Office's slogan concerning expansion; it goes something like this, "Unless a prospective chapter gives every indication that it will survive as long as the school it will not be considered." In my opinion, another seldom discussed, though very excellent reason for expansion, is our moral obligation to further the American fraternity system whenever possible. Fraternities are continually being criticized by the mass of unfortunate publicity attacking their way of life; therefore, fraternities need all the strength that they can muster . . . it cannot be denied that the strength of the fraternity system is increased through sound expansion. Our expansion program has paid off in every respect; it would be utter folly to ever offer an apology for our success in expansion!

During my chapter visits I found the brothers to be very friendly, considerate, co-operative, understanding, and constantly seeking ways in which to improve the chapters. They were all aware of the fact that before very long our houses will be filled with non-veterans and that this situation will necessitate much more supervision and guidance for the younger members during the period of transition. I think the veterans, in almost every case, have contributed enormously to the chapters and there is no doubt in my mind concerning the type of alumni members they will turn out to be.

As good Sig Eps we are all responsible for furthering our Fraternity and the American fraternity system to the best of our ability. The adverse publicity that the fraternity system has been subjected to stems, generally speaking, from a lack of constructive information available to the general public concerning both fraternity ideals and the truths of fraternity life. The fraternity system's best defense, if it needs one, is not through flattering magazine and newspaper articles, but through positive actions by every member and every chapter. This can only be accomplished through competent leadership—the kind of leadership that incorporates initiative, imagination, vision, emotion, and the real desire to see a thing

through once it is started. This poses a challenge that is well worth the effort of every responsible Sig Ep. Let's never forget that our Fraternity is in a vulnerable position with school administrations when scholarship is poor, drinking becomes a problem, public relations are inadequate, and when the chapter fails to conform to the administration's policies.

Now that my traveling days are over and I've started my home stand here at Purdue University I'd like to run over a few highlights: Recollection of Past Grand President Larkin Bailey's sincere enthusiasm . . . the wonderful spirit, involving personal sacrifices of time and money displayed by installation initiation teams . . . the eagerness and drive of the young chapters . . . always agreeing with the chapters that we need some new songs . . . the fine housemothers and the wonderful job being done by the women in our Central Office—they don't come any better . . . my dream of organizing a National Fraternity Field Secretaries Association before I retired . . . Sig Ep's willingness to face the discrimination issue and settle it to the best interests of the majority . . . the amazing tricks that some chapter-house dogs have been taught . . . my disappointment in not being able to visit every chapter . . . Kansas Gamma men's new house and their pride in it . . . the sound financial condition of most of our chapters . . . some of the terrific house parties that I attended . . . Minnesota Alpha's reactivation and its great progress . . . an airline hostess telling me, over the middle of Lake Erie during the month of February, that the plane was running out of gasoline!

All's well in the brotherly domain of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Let's keep it that way.

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★ ★ *Men trained in a profession come by degrees into the profession's channel, and flow only in one direction, and always between the same banks. The master of a learned profession at last becomes its slave. He who follows faithfully any calling comes at length to wear a soul of that calling's shape.*—DAVID SWING

# Doctor Seuss and His Noble Moose

Meet Theodor S. Geisel, Dartmouth, who wove a doodle into *Thidwick the Big-hearted Moose* and who has written other popular animal stories.

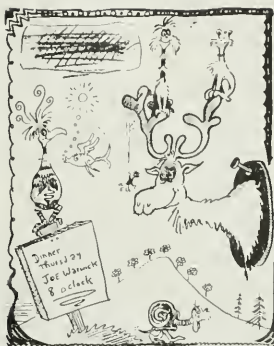
**D**OCTOR Theophrastus Seuss, christened Theodor Seuss Geisel, first moved into celebrity row in 1928, three short years after graduation from Dartmouth, when he accepted a contract to draw advertisements for Flit. He achieved fame overnight.

Doc's first taste for the literary life was whetted at Dartmouth where he edited the *Jack-o-Lantern*. For a short time after graduation he wrote a column for the *Springfield, Mass., Union*, in which city he was born and where his father was superintendent of parks and a special fancier of the animals of the municipal zoo.

Seeking to further his education, Doc enrolled briefly at Oxford's Lincoln College, going on for a mere taste of the curriculum at the University of Vienna and then to the Sorbonne at Paris for an even briefer hitch. His great talent for drawing made this career a likely one, and one of his very first cartoons was accepted by the *Saturday Evening Post*.

*Thidwick the Big-Hearted Moose*, published by Random House, is typical of the good doctor's art. Seuss says the Thidwick story was an accident which came out of a "doodle" while telephoning a friend: "It wasn't until after Joe had hung up that I realized something in this doodle looked like a moose, with some other peculiar animals sitting on his horns. Then I began to wonder how a moose would like it if some animals *did* move in to live on his horns."

At present Dr. Seuss does occasional juvenile stories and lives in Hollywood where he writes also for the movies.



This brainstorm begat Thidwick.



"It's such a long road—could I have a lift on your horns?" asks Bingle Bug?



A fox, a bear, and 362 bees are among those who add themselves to big-hearted Thidwick's overloaded horns before story proceeds to its climax and happy ending.



Junior Grand Marshal Russ Pratt.

## Russ Pratt Of Illinois

**The new Junior Grand Marshal has been a leader in two chapters, field secretary, district governor, alumni chapter president, Conclave chairman.**

**W**HEN Al Gehlbach, Illinois Alpha, introduced Russ Pratt to the gathering at the Interfraternity Luncheon at Chicago last summer, there was a prolonged thunderous applause. Conclave delegates were indicating their heartfelt approval of a convention chairman who was giving them a fine meeting. But they were also telling Russ—a handsome, sincere, honest-Abe sort of young man—that they liked him and wanted him as the Fraternity's new Junior Grand Marshal.

Like so many other Grand Officers of the Fraternity, Junior Grand Marshal J. Russell Pratt, Michigan Alpha, '39, is another who has made a steady career of his Fraternity in the most devoted manner conceivable.

Chairman of the recent Chicago Conclave, Russ is also governor of the district that embraces the Illinois and Indiana chapters and the booming Chicago Alumni Chapter and he served also as a field secretary. This was for the year following his graduation from Michigan when Uncle Billy Phillips was still Grand Secretary.

At Purdue University, where Russ went for three years, he served as rush chairman and vice-president, successively. His year at Michigan he was president and pledgemaster simultaneously. He has also served as president and as secretary-treasurer of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.

Russ Pratt is a stalwart six-footer, weighing an even 200 pounds, and was born in the village of Leroy, Ind., on August 16, 1914, where his father was telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad. His first ambition was to go to college, and when he did go it was by means of money he had earned and saved by mowing lawns, trapping fur bearing animals, haying, threshing, repairing automobiles. His final job of this nature was with an electrical maintenance crew in a steel mill at Carnegie, Ill.

This last position was much to Pratt's liking, and it is significant that today he is a supervisor for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation at Chicago and is also an evening lecturer in electrical engineering at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

To add to an extremely busy 1949, which he says has been the busiest year of his life, Russ went into the throes of seeing his division at Westinghouse moved into a new plant, then moving into a new house which he purchased for his family, while his usual duties as governor of District X consumed much time. And finally, of course, the Conclave itself, and it is typically modest of him that he wishes to give all credit for the success of this venture to the men of the Chicago Alumni Chapter and to his hard-working lieutenants, the various committee chairmen.

Russ Pratt still sees many of the friends he made while in college, such as Prof. D. S. Clark, faculty adviser of Indiana Alpha; Paul Marshall, Indiana Alpha; Lew Mason, former field secretary; Al Pfaller, Michigan

Alpha, whose charming sister is now Mrs. J. Russell Pratt; and many others.

The new Junior Grand Marshal's recommendation to undergraduate Sig Eps for a success formula is first to avoid falling in with any idea that a man should try to get by on his brains and personality. Hard work puts the tempering edge on success, he thinks, and any apparent success achieved without it is questionable.

Though Russ was trained as an engineer he believes we need more education along the lines offered in church functions and in the activities of our Fraternity. It must be an education that will train people to be more tolerant and get along better with one another.

Russ thinks that colleges that have enough fraternities to accommodate only a small percentage of the men enrolled are derelict in their educational obligations if they do not increase the number so that all men who want fraternity life can have it.



Russ with his wife Helen and children (front) Susan and Janet.

## The Fraternity As Teacher

By WILLIAM O. NEGHERBON, Faculty Adviser, Maryland Beta

**T**HE college fraternity is an institution peculiarly American. That it has flourished, survived criticism, molded itself to changed times and circumstances attests its functional virility. I speak thus because I have come to a realization of these facts from an attitude at one time negative.

A world which grows more closely knit yet more complex, which strives for closer co-operation while growing seemingly more chaotic presents us with the paradox of individual lives becoming ever more lonely—the circle of their sympathy and human communion ever shrinking—even while we feel the deep urge to widen it. Here lies the role of our Fraternity. The state which characterizes the world and our country is reflected in the life of the campus of a large, growing university where the ultimate, long-term, integrated aims tend to be obscured by present ferment. In such environment the banding together of a group of young men of various backgrounds and interests to pursue ideals of comradeship in common and to transmit them to others in an ever-widening circle through the years under the common tutelage of a firm and constant fraternal bond is good and right. It is this we seek in Sigma Phi Epsilon—it is this to which we aspire to lend our strength and energy sustained by a common guiding purpose and strengthened by the number of our brothers.



# It Was Truly A Grand Conclave

By **ED JOHNSON**

Looking strictly at positive aspects, the University of Colorado delegate got much stimulation at Chicago.



Ed Johnson

**W**E ARE all justly proud of our fraternity as a national organization. It is not often however, that we are able to gather together as a national group. The 1949 Conclave was my first opportunity to meet with other brothers from the four corners of our country. I have attended district conventions that hinted of our national stature, but it was the association at Chicago that convinced me of our greatness. Yes, the 1949 Conclave was my first, but it will not be my last. It is my hope that many others of you, especially the freshmen and sophomores, will find inspiration in the reports of the Conclave and will resolve now to attend the 1951 Conclave in Richmond.

The officers of our Grand Chapter as well the members of the Conclave Committee should be congratulated upon their handling of the program. An attempt was made to give everyone—actives and alumni alike—an opportunity to participate in the business of the Conclave. Each and every delegate was assigned to a committee that met during the Conclave. Each committee re-



Don Cook

# It Didn't Seem So Grand to Us

By **DON COOK, JIM GRAY,  
JACK WELLS, AND BOB WICKS**

Men of the Oregon State chapter say it was largely slipshod and basically undemocratic in nature.

**W**E SHOULD like to set forth some impressions, criticisms, suggestions, what-have-you, regarding the Chicago Conclave that should receive the attention of the membership at large as well as of the members of the Executive Committee.

**PANEL DISCUSSIONS.** We feel that the panel discussions at the Conclave were far inferior to what they should have been. Not so much in subject matter, though we don't agree with much that was said, but in the manner in which they were conducted. A panel discussion, it seems to us, should have the problem introduced, and some basic facts given by the chairman or moderator; then the panel members should give their personal arguments and views, pro and con, in the manner of an informal debate. At the Conclave, however, we were amazed to see men getting up and reading prepared statements written by the chairman of the panel, or discussing some phase of an issue assigned by the chairman, with the prefacing statement, "of course I disagree with what

viewed the happenings in its particular field and recommended changes or affirmed old policies. Through these committees the policies of the Fraternity are formed. More time should have been given for the deliberation of the questions and suggestions brought before the committee.

Five panel discussions were conducted to stimulate thought on the policies of Sig Ep and the questions facing us. The members of several of the panels were undergraduate students from various parts of the country. They brought with them the feelings and opinions of their respective chapters. This again emphasizes the national character of our group.

**EXPANSION.** Sigma Phi Epsilon is not striving to become the largest national fraternity. However, universities and colleges throughout the country feel the need of more fraternities on their campuses. We must be willing to recognize this need and be willing to give to men throughout the nation the benefits of the associations that can be gained from the college fraternity. As

Past Grand President Larkin Bailey has said, "We must not deny to others the associations with Sig Ep that have come to mean so much to us all." A better goal for Sigma Phi Epsilon should be the expansion from a national fraternity to an international fraternity. William E. Rogers, Governor of District XIII, has done much work in the field of exploring the opportunities for expansion to Canada.

**ALUMNI AND CHAPTER RELATIONS.** This panel was conducted by the district governors. We are becoming more and more conscious of the need for alumni support. Without the assistance and the guiding hand of our alumni, Sig Ep cannot continue to grow. Alumni and chapter relations, therefore, is one phase of the Fraternity that should not be neglected. The panel discussed this question from the viewpoint of the alumni, a viewpoint that is often overlooked by the active member.

Some thought was devoted to the idea of an Alumni Secretary. I feel an officer of this type could be most helpful in uniting our

I'm going to say, but yak, yak, yak—." We sincerely hope that at any future Conclave free expression of individual viewpoints will be encouraged from the panel members.

**POOR INTELLECTUAL ATMOSPHERE.** In future Conclaves, we should like to see less emphasis placed upon the sanctity and sacredness of the Founders, the national officers, and the distinguished alumni. While we realize that the Fraternity owes much to the men in these groups, yet at the same time, we feel that the main concern of the brotherhood is with the undergraduate actives in the individual chapters all over the nation.

There seemed to be at the Conclave an excess of "ancestor worship" and obeisance to the Founders especially, and the alumni to a great extent, so that discussion was rather bounded and restrained, especially on any matter that hinted of any change in the *status quo* of the Fraternity.

Somehow the undergraduates were made to feel they had to apologize for considering any change, whether it was for progress or

not. What the solution to this problem is, we're not sure: Possibly having everyone sit in the audience, with only the president at the rostrum; possibly not standing when applauding the Founders, or dwelling so much on their righteousness; possibly by having an undergraduate elected from among the delegates to preside at the Conclave; possibly by giving the undergrads more to say in planning the Conclave, by means of having a group of them sit in on the executive committee meetings prior to the Conclave.

From discussions among ourselves, and with other delegates, it seems obvious that something must be done to give the actives the feeling that they are proposing, discussing, and deciding issues that mainly affect them, with the alumni acting as advisers.

In short, the Chicago Conclave was too much a *show*, planned and staged for the delegates by the Central Office and Executive Committee. The situation would be more healthy if the undergraduate delegates proposed all legislation, did the major

alumni into groups that would continue to be active.

**RUSHING AND PLEDGE TRAINING.** This panel was conducted by members of the Central Office staff—men who have seen all types of systems in operation. The Central Office staff, including Grand Secretary Bill Hindman and his traveling secretaries, has prepared manuals for rush captains and pledge trainers. This panel was built around the discussions of these aids.

Rushing is the life blood of the fraternity. Each fall a new freshman class comes to the campuses of our universities and colleges throughout the nation, and from this source of manhood, Sig Ep must receive an annual transfusion. Rushing must be done in a thorough and businesslike manner, because competition for good men is becoming greater each year. As was brought out in the discussion, many helpful hints may be gained from the *Manual of Rushing*. This guide would be of particular value to our newer chapters, but its value should not be overlooked by the older chapters.

Pledge training is the art of building—the building of life-long members of Sigma Phi Epsilon. The various methods of pledge training were discussed in this panel. The *Pledge Trainer's Guide* is also a manual that will be of great use in the undergraduate chapters.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS.** This panel, led by JOURNAL Editor John Robson, included several alumni and undergraduate members. Various methods of improving public relations were discussed. More than a few men and women have got the idea that fraternities are play pens for college men. It is up to the chapters to prove that fraternities are builders of useful citizens of society. We can do this through our associations with non-Greek students as well as through our daily meetings with people in other walks of life. Through charities to the underprivileged and through civic improvements, we can prove to the non-believers that we are out to better ourselves and society. If we cannot get good publicity, we should at least not get bad publicity.

part of debate on it, and then voted the issues themselves, with the alumni acting in an advisory capacity only.

**STAG BANQUET.** The stag banquet was one of the most disgusting, hypocritical, disillusioning, ill-managed exhibitions to which we've ever been submitted. Those speakers who told "funny" stories made us

rather ashamed to be called brothers in the same Fraternity. To witness in the afternoon the beautiful expression of idealism that is our ritual, and then see in the evening how little those ideals really meant to the "leaders" of our organization was absolutely revolting.

Time and again we've heard Dean Du-



Group singing, as demonstrated by the Kansans above, formed highlight of final banquet.



It was pointed out that the good deeds of the men in our chapters will avail nothing unless *bad* publicity is avoided.

**MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS.** This subject was one of the most discussed at the Conclave. Many, both inside and outside our order, feel that a change is necessary in our membership qualifications. Several possible changes were discussed, but no concrete change was decided upon. It was decided that this question should be brought back to the chapters for further discussion. More thought must be given to this issue in the light of present-day public opinion. It was decided that we should not make immediate changes in qualifications that have stood us in good stead for nearly 50 years.

**FORMAL REPORTS.** Presented to the Conclave by the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and Editor of the JOURNAL were reports covering their work. Copies of these reports are in the hands of the chapter delegates. These reports indicated our progress through the past two years.

To me, one of the greatest inspirations of

the Conclave was the opportunity to meet and associate with several of our Founders and our Grand Officers. We often hear of these men, but seldom do we get to meet them. I was particularly impressed by the broad views of our leaders, and I feel sure that the management of our Fraternity is in sound hands. Our Founders, still active in our Fraternity after almost 50 years, impressed me with their great wisdom and devotion. Their very presence was a great inspiration to me, and their remarks and counsel will be long remembered.

The informal aspects of the Chicago meeting should not be overlooked. I was particularly impressed by the quality of the men present. I feel sure that all present were men that I would be proud to call brothers. I enjoyed the many bull sessions and extracurricular activities. The Conclave Committee did a splendid job in arranging side trips for us, and the Grand Ball was a huge success. Truly the Conclave was an opportunity for national brotherhood and fellowship.

bach tell incoming freshman, who are rushing, to look at the seniors in a house which they are considering pledging, realize that the Fraternity will very likely make the same type of men out of them, then reconsider pledging. Similarly, when we, as undergrads, look at our alums acting in a manner so at variance with the type of Christian morality toward which we are hopefully striving, it makes us wonder just what kind of forces will be acting on our characters, and what the result will be. We request and urge that you bring this matter to the attention of the banquet emcee and those who told their smutty little jokes, so that the character and intelligence of future delegates need never be insulted in this manner.

A suggestion. How about having the initiation at the very end of the Conclave, thus ending on a high note of good will, idealism, and brotherly love?

We trust that these comments and criticisms will not be taken as destructive criticism, but instead in the manner of remarks

for the good of the Fraternity, and strongly urge that they be brought to the attention of the Executive Committee and those persons specifically involved, as they are badly needed in guiding the preparation of the meeting at Richmond in 1951.

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Don Ellis, fullback  
Illinois



Don Laz, halfback  
Illinois



Joe Hayer, center  
Illinois



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Iowa



Larry Willimack  
Iowa



Frank Heldt  
Iowa



Jim Shoaf  
Iowa



Bill Nitzsche, tackle  
Lawrence



Cal Chamberlain, tackle  
Lawrence



Neal Marshall, guard  
Lawrence



Spence Potter, halfback  
Lawrence



Chuck Knoedler, halfback  
Lawrence

## WHO'S WHO ON THE GRIDIRON

**Sig Eps on campuses large and small who have been making a strong bid for football fame. Many of them will contend in New Year's bowl games.**

**S**IG EP gridiron names that are most in the limelight as this issue goes to press are the same names which appeared frequently on the sports pages last year. At Penn, for example, Herb Agoes is one of the team's real mainstays and its most dependable kicker.

The SYRACUSE house has two actives and one pledge on the Syracuse Varsity this year. Jim Dragotta, playing his third year of varsity football, is doing a bang-up job at end. Ranking as one of the outstanding punters of the East, he drops back to do most of the kicking. Jimmy is also a favorite target for Orange passers. Jimmy Shreve, playing his second year of varsity competition, is fast becoming a bright spot in the Syracuse football picture. Jimmy's aggressive defensive play has earned him a starting position as safety man for the Orange. Pledge Bob Koleser is a fast improving sophomore tackle on the varsity line. Sig Eps Bob Koleser and Jim Shreve, combine to do the placement work. Bob's agile toe has accounted for 13 out of 14 tries for points after TD's to date.

GEORGIA TECH'S football machine is abetted by a goodly number of staunch Sig Ep veterans, including, on the line, Colin Anderson, Dan Bradach, Dave Spriggs, Derwood Flanagan, Lamar Wheat, and Mel Dold. In the backfield, Bob McCoy and George Maloof gain as much yardage as any.

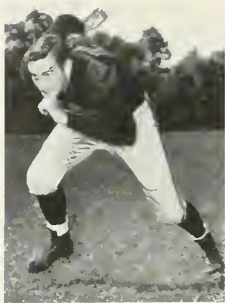
PENN STATE has a pair of stars: Tony Orsini, 175-pound speed merchant from Hummelstown, who is one of the leading ground gainers in the Penn State offense this season. Plays at right half. Also George Jacobs, 170-pound wingback from Philadelphia, one of the key defensive backs on this season's varsity. One of the best all-round athletes in the house.

At SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, unheralded at the beginning of the year, Seatback Johnny Williams is rapidly developing into one of the best defensive backs on the Pacific Coast. His main specialty is returning punts for long yardage. He did this in a recent game for 72 yards and six points. Johnny went into the first game as a third-stringer. He came out of the game a first-stringer and has held that position ever since.

Bill Bowers, former high school All-American, was slated to see lots of action at one of the halfback spots this fall, but has been labeled, "the hard luck kid." He was injured a week before the first game and subsequent injuries have forced him to keep to the sidelines for the majority of the time.

Herb Boies, one of those unheralded men who do their job in the line, is playing on the second team.

PURDUE'S defensive left end this year is Sig Ep pledge Leo Sugar. "Sug" is a sophomore in the physical education school and he



Chuck Williams, tackle  
Lawrence



Dick Roerman, guard  
Missouri Mines



Bill Roerman, halfback  
Missouri Mines



John Westfall, guard  
Ohio Wesleyan



Anthony Orsini, halfback  
Penn State



George Jacobs, back  
Penn State



Leo Sugar, end  
Purdue



Bob Samsen, halfback  
Purdue



Clarence Hughes, tackle  
Stetson



hails from Flint, Mich. Leo played end for Flint Northern High School for three years and he made all-state honors his senior year. When he came to Purdue he was the outstanding freshman football player of the 1948 season. Leo is six feet tall and he weighs 190 pounds. Indiana Alpha is looking forward to the day when it's "Leo Sugar—All-Big Ten."

The fastest man on the Purdue football team is Indiana Alpha's Bob Samsem. "Sammy" is the junior right halfback and one of the main reasons Purdue leads the conference in pass defense. Bob is a junior in the Air Transportation School when he isn't running back punts. He comes from Clay Center, Ohio, where he won all kinds of track and football honors in his three years of high school competition. A big roar comes from the Sig Ep section of the Purdue stands whenever he trots onto the gridiron.

For the ILLINI we have Joe Hayer, senior from Crane Tech (Chicago), stands 5' 11" and weighs a solid 187 pounds. He is employed chiefly as a linebacker because of his tremendous ability to analyze and break up the opposing team's plays.

Don Ellis, junior from West Rockford, stands 6' and weighs 190 pounds. Don is a terrific, driving fullback, and does a remarkable job as linebacker on defense. Don is gaining much varsity experience this year, and is virtually sure of seeing plenty of action next year.

Don Laz, junior from West Aurora, stands 6' 2" and weighs 180 pounds. From his half-back position, Don is perhaps the most versatile player on the team. Don can pass, run, punt, and kick extra points (and pole vault 14 feet).

Sig Ep is well represented on KANSAS STATE'S football team. In a starting position again this year is big Rollin Prather. Under

Sig Ep Coach Graham's two-platoon system Rollin finds himself located at tackle position on defense and playing part time on the offensive team. The "Rock" is in on every play and seems to be headed for a position on the all-Conference team. Rollin is an All-American track star.

Raymond Prather, Rollin's sophomore brother, is getting experience at tackle position and will be a big help to K-State's football team next year.

Don Bliss, a sophomore from Topeka, is looking good in the guard position and with a little more experience will be seeing a lot of action.

Bill Gardner, a fighting guard from Ark City, is giving plenty of competition.

Bob Nevins, another sophomore, is getting experience in the tackle spot and will be a great help to the team next year.

The LAWRENCE COLLEGE Sig Ep house had six men—two sophomores and four juniors—on the Conference Championship football team. "Killer" Cal Chamberlain held down the starting position at left tackle. This year was Cal's fourth year on the team. Sophomore Bill "Barrel" Nitzsche and senior Chuck "Smiley" Williams alternated starting at right tackle. Chuck Knoedler, hindered by injuries the early part of the season, proved in later games his ability at left half which gave him all-Conference honorable mention last year. Spence "Spear-Head" Potter is playing his fourth year for Lawrence at left half. With the end of this season, he will be a two-year letter winner on the Varsity. Neal "Ox" Marshall, sophomore reserve guard, showed much promise.

RENSELAER'S Raymond Patenaude came into his own this year as an aggressive and hard-charging lineman while playing first-string guard. Last year Ray had shown promise of



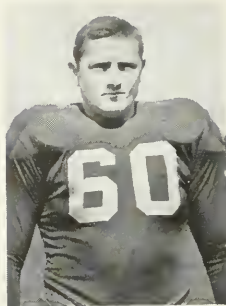
James R. Shreve, back  
Syracuse



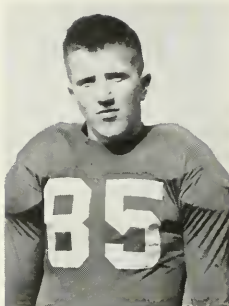
James V. Dragotta, back  
Syracuse



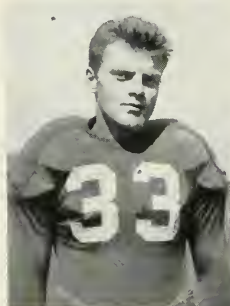
Brit Piez, center  
Temple



Vince Zielinski, tackle  
Temple (captain)



Bob Hewson, end  
Temple



Ralph Hansen, back  
Temple

developing into an outstanding lineman when a shoulder injury forced him out of action. "Pat," a junior, hails from Newport, R.I., where he played football at De LaSalle Academy.

Mr. Line and Mr. Back on the fighting MISSOURI MINERS football team are brothers. What's more, they are our Brothers. Dick and Bill Roerman have been rolling down that field to victory after victory. Dick, the older of the two, holds down the left guard position, and has been a candidate for the all-Conference team. He is a junior, enrolled in electrical engineering, and was president of Missouri Gamma last year. Bill, the little brother who dwarfs Dick when they stand together, plays left halfback on the defensive platoon, and is a main threat to the opposing team. He is just a freshman, was initiated into Sigma Phi Epsilon several weeks ago, and has

quite a gridiron future ahead of him.

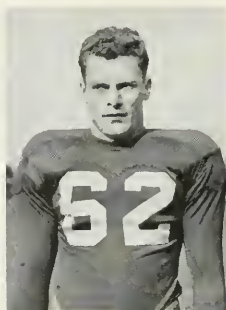
Clarence Hughes, better known around the STETSON campus as "Hugo," is playing his second year of varsity tackle for Coach Bob Trocolor's Hatters. Clarence, whose home is at Daytona Beach, is a 20-year-old sophomore, stands six foot three, and weighs 195 pounds. "Hugo" was initiated into Sig Ep on April 9, 1949, and at the present is the chapter guard.

OHIO WESLEYAN'S Battling Bishops have John Westfall, a junior from North Lewisburg, Ohio, playing his second year of varsity football. Assigned in the starting lineup to the right guard position, he is best known for his consistency and his ability to maintain high spirits on the playing field.

For other mention of Sig Eps on the gridiron, turn to the reports of the chapters. Ep.



Bill Bonsall, back  
Temple



Jim Smith, end  
Temple



Ed Bateman, back  
Temple

# Sig Epic Achievement



Indiana's new faculty adviser Burger.



Indiana's frater in facultate Hedges.

## Fratres in Facultate

CLIFFORD BURGER, Indiana Beta, initiated honorarily into the chapter at the District X Convention in April, 1949, is the new faculty adviser of the University of Indiana chapter. A graduate of Indiana State, he is an instructor in the accounting department, and his honors include Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Gamma Sigma, and Blue Key.

PROF. JOSEPH HEDGES, Kansas Alpha, '28 is another noteworthy *frater in facultate* at Indiana. Professor of Insurance here since 1946, he came to this college from Emory University in Georgia where he had taught economics for a six-year period interrupted by a year's service with the Foreign Economic Administration, Washington, D.C., in 1944. He is the author of books on banking, the stock market, insurance, and insurance legislation. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Beta Gamma Sigma.

DEAN ELMER LOUIS KAYSER, D.C. Alpha, '17, delivered the address of welcome at the recent annual meeting of the American Association of University Professors, at Washington, D.C. He declared that the problem which bears down on every citizen today is to remain a free man. He said in part: "A faculty cannot hope to train free men unless it is composed of free

men. Only to the extent that men can conserve their personal integrity can our society endure."

DR. FRANK WATSON, Pennsylvania Delta, '05, has become professor emeritus of sociology at Haverford College, Pa., after 35 years of service.

DR. GEORGE S. SHRYER, professor of Bible, and Prof. Richard N. Bender, professor of Philosophy, both of the Baker University faculty, were initiated as honorary members of Sigma Phi Epsilon by the Kansas Alpha chapter on May 19, 1949.

Dr. Shryer is a graduate of Wofford College and later studied at Duke Divinity School and Boston University. He served as pastor in various communities in the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church until he entered the armed forces in 1942, where he spent much time overseas and participated in the battles of Okinawa and Leyte. He came to Baker in 1948 to take up his duties in Bible and speech and was coach of the Baker squad that won the national sweepstakes trophy last year.

Prof. RICHARD N. BENDER is a graduate of Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., and at the present time is completing his work for a doctor's degree in philosophy at Boston University. For eight years he was a pastor in communities in Indiana and Massachusetts. He came to



Horseman Young practices his text.

Baker in 1945 as professor of philosophy and psychology and in 1948 was appointed director of religious education and philosophy. He has written a number of articles for various religious magazines. His first book, "*A Philosophy of Life*," has just been published by the Philosophical Library of New York.



Prof. Richard N. Bender, Baker.

### **Reformer**

Chief Justice Edward W. Hudgins, Virginia Alpha, of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals told a meeting of the Court Clerks of Virginia at Roanoke recently that Virginia's entire court system should be reorganized.

He cited the difficulty of assuring a fair trial under the present concept of "due process" and the cost of appealing cases. Reform is urgent, he pointed out, in order to make justice simpler, quicker, and cheaper.

### **Horseman**

Ford E. Young, Jr., D.C. Alpha, a lieutenant colonel in the Armored Cavalry Reserve and onetime coach of the D.C. Alpha intramural basketball team, has written a book, *Elementary Horsemanship*.

One reviewer writes of the book and its author as follows:

"This very readable and instructional book is filled with valuable information fascinating to anyone with even the slightest interest in horses and riding. It is replete with pictures of the author demonstrating elementary horsemanship with his two thoroughbred Army mounts, a big 14-year-old half-bred gelding and a five-year-old granddaughter of Man O' War, both of which he keeps on a farm near Poolesville.

"The author served overseas during World War II. He is now practicing law in the Mills Building, Washington, and his wife, a member of the District Bar herself, was associated with her husband's firm until the arrival of their two little boys.

Col. Young's father, a nationally known breeder of Llewellyn setters, has served in the judicial saddle at prominent field trials all over the east and for many years has handled his fine dogs with great success in bird-dog trials.

"Ford Young is ably qualified to handle the subject of his book. His background is impressive, first as a student at the Cavalry Branch of the Citizens Military Training Camps; then as a Reserve Cavalry Officer for 7 years; as a Cavalry Officer on active duty for 3 years at Fort Riley, including graduation from both the Basic and Advanced Horse Classes of the Cavalry School and riding as a member of the Cavalry School Hunt, and thereafter on the Staff of the 2nd Cavalry Division until being ordered overseas in 1944." Copies are available at a dollar each from the author, Suite 201, Mills Building, Washington, D.C.

### **Public Servant**

John D. Findlay, North Carolina Beta, '35, has been appointed director of the Game and Fish Division for the state of Tennessee.

### **Corps Chief**

Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, West Virginia Beta, was named recently by President Truman to be Chief of the Army Chemical Corps.



Dr. George S. Shryer, Baker.



# Pan Hellenica

★ SIGMA PHI EPSILON'S CHIEF RIVALS ★

## III. PHI GAMMA DELTA

By WILSON B. HELLER, College Social Analysts

**I**n Phi-Gam we find a paradox—perhaps the biggest paradox in the fraternity world.

Why? Because, although it is very conservative of tone and act, yet it surprises by leading the pack in constructive modernization of methods of management. Latest chapter supervision methods are found here, enabling Phi-Gam to keep pace with any rival in that one main goal of all; viz.: strong, top, leading chapters.

Almost always conservatism goes along with superiority and satisfaction and stagnation. The forwardly progressive in the fraternity, or any other, world rapidly pass such.

Now to less philosophy and more of the factual and picturesque.

Phi-Gam (often called Fiji) has today about 45—or 57 per cent—of its 79 chapters that are pre-eminent, tied-for-top or in the top 15 per cent in the order of importance on their campuses.

No other fraternity quite equals this. In former eras, such groups as Psi-U, Alpha-Delt, Beta, and Phi-Delt have equaled this degree but none do now. Nearest to Phi-Gam is one of our largest with about 50 per cent. Not even one of the old and small ones can come that close any more.

We refer in such comparisons to the positions of the chapters in *importance, prominence, and power* as of today's survey and only with almost unanimous agreement in replies.

Subtracting from their top chapter total of 45 the number of six for their chapters in the lowest 15 per cent of importance we reach a net of 39 above par. This is about 50 per cent of its 79 total. Its closest rival—the one referred to above—has about 47 per cent in this comparison.

Please keep in mind, however, that we are not intimating that Phi-Gam is stronger than several rivals. It is not, because the total chapter valuation of several of its rivals, with a larger number of chapters, is certainly higher.

To be specific: By a simple system, we arrive at the conclusion that Phi-Gam's 79 chapters have a net valuation total of about 56 as compared with an approximate 83 valuation for its top rival. Valuations of chapters are based in our system (as it would be in yours) on (1) number of rivals, (2) position of importance.

Now, how come that Phi-Gam, a real conservative that has added but eight chapters in 20 years, is yet progressive enough, dissatisfied enough, to get the *Highest Percentage of Chapters At The Top*?

That's about the shortest and easiest question to answer in the fraternity world. It is due to *one man*, their longtime national secretary and editor: Cecil J. (Scoop) Wilkinson.

During the 25 years that Scoop has held these jobs the percentage of chapters at the top has *steadily* risen; the percentage of unimportant Phi-Gam chapters has *steadily decreased*.

Here is a top executive who is also an analyst. He found out what it takes to get chapters to the top and keep 'em there. He's had personality, ability and diplomacy enough to get his National behind him. He can put Fraternity First and Politics Second. He does not worry about his job. All this is fairly unusual in fraternity circles.

We won't give away Scoop's methods of forceful chapter supervision although there's nothing secret, nothing any national office could not at once imitate. But he keeps his affairs to himself. He is a silent worker and he gets results. Now, he is about 50 years old; he was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in 1917. But he has given his life to Phi Gamma Delta and he's obtained results the peer of any. Personally, we hope he takes it easy and continues to direct  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  and aid interfraternity.

This man is *also* editor of his magazine, the *Phi Gamma Delta*.

In proportion to its budget, any rival editor will admit that this magazine is as fine as there is. It has a charm about it that no other fraternity (or sorority) magazine equals. Yet it is brief and practical almost to the equal of  $\Sigma \Delta \epsilon$ 's *Record*.

Scoop does both jobs on a salary perhaps less than some get for one. Office expenditures, out of their rented Washington, D.C., headquarters, compare as economical.

Only one other fraternity owes as much and has got such great results from one living man. We told of him in our last article.

Like any forceful chapter supervisor, Scoop has his problems with many of his older groups that eventually possess too high a percentage of wealthy playboys, drones, society lads, elbow-



Analyst Heller

The author of this third article in the series on "Sigma Phi Epsilon's Chief Rivals" has been director, since 1912, of College Social Analysts, Los Angeles, Calif., his own bureau which he has operated without profit to analyze social groups, particularly private and collegiate, as to their management and condition, nationally and locally, from 1825 to the present.

The author states that in this candid article on Phi Gamma Delta he presents a further sampling of material from the manuscript of his forthcoming book, "College Fraternities and Sororities."

benders, and phony aristocrats. These "most rushed" fellows make the poorest of members and campus repute and respect. However, only at the following has this gotten the better of him in recent eras: Alabama, Cornell, Indiana, Brown, Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon State, Oregon, Stanford, Virginia, and W & L. At some of these it has been overcome and the groups are now powerful again.

Now for more colorful stuff:

Phi-Gam started as a *Southern* fraternity. Few realize this. It began in 1848 at Jefferson (now joined into Washington and Jefferson). Although in Pennsylvania this was a "southern" school in student body and sentiments. Most of Phi-Gam's pre-Civil War chapters were in the Old South.

No other national has a much poorer record in early-day conduct of affairs, chapters, and records. Probably several chapters were started that are not now recorded. All the 16 chapters except four in the North (W & J, DePauw, Gettysburg, and Allegheny) died by the Civil War's end. Even the Mother Chapter later died but was quickly revived.

Growth following the Civil War was in the North and today Phi-Gam has but 15 in the South including those in Maryland, Texas, and Oklahoma. It is far from important "down South" even though about six chapters are very important.

As told already, Phi-Gam today has an efficiency equaling any and this more than makes up for any past failures.

Even prior to Wilkinson's advent this National had begun to modernize, show ambition and a desire to rid itself of weak chapters. It was the first to employ a fulltime traveling secretary (1913). It claims to be the first to enforce a uniform chapter-to-national accounting system (1914).

Other "first" claims include a National Vocational Placement bureau (1923) and nationally enforced ban on use of the letters,

Φ Γ Δ, and the badge except in a very few authorized cases.

Phi-Gam chapters and members have often been called "Owls" due to that emblem on top of their crest. An annual, publicized event with alumni and chapters is their "Pig Dinner" which has a ceremonial tieup with any new initiates.

We must not fail to tell you that both Wilkinson and the national leaders tend to talk of their conservatism, their reverence for the past, the ivy, the classics. No new chapters for them on some young campus. It would take a revolution to get them to pioneer on a campus even though it be a Stanford or a Florida State or a Santa Barbara or a Bowling Green. No sir, there must be ivy on the towers first. This appears a paradox for a man such as Wilkinson who is most forwardly progressive in his methods of handling chapter and national affairs, in keeping pace with his rivals. No back seat for him there.

Do you know what we think? We think he believes in expansion and knows that in nationals as in chapters you can't get to or stay at the top without size close to that of top rivals. We think he'd like more chapters in any schools with a good future and good finances but he wisely senses that his ivy chapters and alumni leaders won't go much for such, especially if he punches for same. He is a psychologist. He gets a few new ones as it is.

Oldest continuously living Phi-Gam chapters are, in order, DePauw, '56, Gettysburg, '58, Allegheny, '60, Hanover, '64, Wabash, '66, Columbia, '66, Illinois Wesleyan, '66, and Ohio Wesleyan, '69.

Of its 24 dead chapters, 13 are in the South, none in the West. There was no excuse for the death of 12 of these other than inability to meet competition: 17 of the 24 could be revived. Some of the most shameful deaths are: Hampden-Sydney, Roanoke, Centre, Marietta, Muhlenberg, Mississippi, Georgia, and Trinity. However, eight of its living chapters were re-

vived after death periods of over 20 years.

Now to more specific chapter naming—the most important ones in their all-time average importance and the most important ones today. What with the national and its members having a marked tendency to modesty and gentlemanliness, we feel backward about publicizing their situation.

Most valuable to their National, within Phi-Gam itself, as we view it, have been: DePauw, Columbia, Allegheny, W & J—with Illinois Wesleyan, Ohio Wesleyan, Wabash and N.Y.U. not far behind.

Chapters that rank *first* or tied-for-first in *All-Time Average* annual Importance on their campus include: Allegheny, Colorado College, Gettysburg, Johns Hopkins, Maine, Occidental, Pittsburgh, Richmond, Wabash, U. of Washington, William Jewell, and Worcester (12). Lehigh, Penn, and W & J almost make this list. This list is a bit small but is so because Phi-Gam chapters did not average so high until the last two decades. Also it did little pioneering, being first to start at only: Illinois Wesleyan, Maine, Ohio State, William Jewell, and Worcester (6). This last really a tiny list.

All this will point vividly to the late and rapid climb to top made in the past two decades by so many Phi-Gam chapters. See the next list.

Chapters *now at the top* (or tied for same) via our last surveys (none over two years old), all with near-unanimous agreement in replies, includes: Allegheny, Bucknell, U.C.L.A., Colgate, Colorado College, U. of Colorado, Denison, Gettysburg, Hanover, Johns Hopkins, Knox, Lafayette, Lehigh, Maine, Michigan, North Carolina, Northwestern, Occidental, Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan, Penn, Pittsburgh, Purdue, Richmond, Texas, Wabash, W & J, U. of Washington, Western Reserve, William Jewell, and Wittenberg (31). Among others almost in above category are: British Columbia, Columbia, Illinois, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Syracuse (6). We may have omitted a few.

Chapters now in a *lower position* considering age and/or opportunities: Chicago (questionable spot for any there), Georgia Tech, N.Y.U., Sewanee, and Virginia, plus four of the five new ones installed in '48 or '49.

Groups that have in late years jumped upwards from weak or unimportant positions to better, good or high estate: Minnesota, Chicago, Yale, Wittenberg, Union, Purdue, Oregon, Nebraska, and particularly Northwestern and U.C.L.A., the former not being installed until 1931 yet now tied for top, the latter, 22nd to start, is now top tied.

Recent comparable *drops* in importance are: Alabama, Davidson, Indiana, N.Y.U., Oregon State, and Worcester. These are each far below a once high spot.

## Notes & Quotes

Dean of Men Arden O. French, Louisiana State University: "Fraternalities that raise the level of scholarship—are doing one of the major tasks of the colleges and universities. Fraternalities that still indulge in uncontrolled social life—are traitors to the fraternity system and should be removed from the campuses of the nation."

Dr. Frank H. Sparks, president of Wabash College: "The place of the fraternity in college life is largely that of the family in normal life. The fraternity offers a small community to its members—a community made up of men of similar tastes and interests who think sufficiently well of the initiate to invite him to become a member of that community on probation."

McCosh Thomas Gardiner, Wooster, '09, in the *Magazine of Sigma Chi*: "As an undergraduate I mingled in our small college with several Negroes, Chinese, and Japanese. We were good friends. We met as equals in the classrooms, in the debating forum, and on the athletic field. But I felt no constraint that I go to bed with them. Nor do I think that their background of family life and customs would have made them happy living with us. Intellectually they could and did vie with us. Close social contact in one family would have lost for both them and us much of spontaneity and dignity. Their philosophy and morals were not as mine. On the mental plane we met. Enforced social contact would have made us despise each other."

"It is indeed an unique belief today that purely human relationships should not grow naturally but must be forced. I can take a good strain of lime tree and graft it onto the stronger lemon stalk and get a better lime. But the same graft placed on a hickory stem would languish and die."

Sigma Chi has voted to drop its Harvard chapter, once held in some favor.

Chandler Harris in the *Carnation* of Delta Sigma Phi: "Fraternity publicity often seems to resemble a sophomore climbing a greased pole; for every foot he climbs up, he slips back two."

Virgil M. Hancher, president of the State University of Iowa, Sigma Nu, in *The Delta*: "We are inclined to overemphasize the importance of monetary rewards in our capitalistic society. To be sure, the laborer is worthy of his hire, and should be paid at a level which will guarantee him the necessities of life and some of the decencies of life, but the curious thing is that men oftener do their very best work for rewards other than money."



This was the colorful scene at the Cleveland Alumni Chapter's Founders' Day banquet at the University Club November 1. A total of 63 active and alumni Sig Eps were on hand to eat steak and hear an inspirational report by Grand Secretary William Hindman.

## *With the Alumni*

### **Founders' Day Fêtes**

Many alumni groups observed the birthday of the Fraternity, November 1, 1901, by holding special dinners for their members, featured in many cases by speeches and remarks by special guests. While these events took place more than a week after the deadline of this JOURNAL, three meetings are briefly reported.

At MADISON, Wis., seat of Wisconsin Beta, Grand Treasurer Edwin Buchanan of Milwaukee and District Governor Alan Steinmetz, also of Milwaukee, were honor guests at a banquet attended by more than 100. Paul Pohle was toastmaster while Jim Tschudy was in general charge. Prof. John Alexander of the geography department of the University gave an address, "Manufacturing in Wisconsin."

At CLEVELAND, Ohio, Bill Hindman, Grand Secretary, was the featured speaker at a gathering of more than 50 Sigma Phi Epsilon alumni at the Greater Cleveland chapter's annual Founders' Day Dinner, November 1. The banquet was held at the popular University Club and several actives from Ohio Zeta (Baldwin-Wallace) were on hand as well as alumni. District Governor Harry Kurtz reported on the Conclave and President Charles Stewart gave a progress report on Ohio Zeta Chapter. A social evening of favorite Sig Ep songs, cards, and conversation followed.

At DALLAS, on November 1 members of the

Dallas Alumni Association attended their traditional Founders' Day banquet at the Melrose Hotel. Texas Alpha boasted the largest attendance, however alumni from chapters located in California, Colorado, Arkansas, Illinois, Kansas, and Iowa were present.

### ★ LIVE GROUPS ★

#### **Dallas**

Following the annual Oklahoma-Texas game the Association was host to members of Oklahoma Beta and Texas Alpha at our fifteenth annual dinner dance. Sixty-five members from Texas Alpha and some 50 of the brothers from Oklahoma Beta joined with us to make one of the finest parties that we have ever given. A prize was offered by us to the chapter presenting the best intermission skit and this was won by Texas Alpha. Oklahoma Beta was handicapped as they had planned to offer some novel songs by their famous quartet but two of them were invited to attend a unique party at Oklahoma Alpha so that they were unable to carry through with their original plans.

The industrial growth of Dallas is attracting Sig Eps from all parts of the country and the Dallas Alumni Association extends a hearty welcome to these men from other chapters. We urge them to immediately contact any one of



the alumni officers as soon as possible upon locating in the Dallas vicinity.

At the last meeting an election of officers was held and the following alumni were chosen to conduct the affairs for the coming year. President, Roland G. Ackmann, 9406 Waterview Road; vice-president, Clyde L. Greer, 4224 Purdue Street; treasurer, Homer V. McConkey, 3141 Greenbrier Street; secretary, Herbert O. Craft, 9310 W. Lake Highland Drive; historian, Keith Congdon, 4629 Southern Avenue. A vote of appreciation was given to George Y. McCoy, retiring president.

—KEITH CONGDON

### **El Paso**

The Fort Bliss Officers Club at El Paso, Texas, promises to serve as a place of rebirth for Sig Eps in this area. David Duggan, Virginia Alpha, '49, a lieutenant in the Army Aircraft School at the Fort is spearheading an enthusiastic group made up in part of the following: John Bisset, Kansas Gamma, '24; Asley Classen, Kansas Gamma, '24; Ted Cottle, Texas Alpha, '32; William Elliott, Virginia Zeta, '09; Charles F. Jordan, Kansas Alpha, '23; William Lake, Ohio Gamma, '14; and Cecil McNutt, Texas Alpha, '33.

Assistant to the Grand Secretary Frank J. Ruck, Jr. has recently paid a visit to this area.

### **Cleveland**

The Cleveland alumni are reviving their famous Christmas Dance this year, with an anticipated crowd of 100 couples at the Allerton Hotel, Thursday, December 22. All alumni in the area and actives from chapters in Ohio and

adjoining states are being invited to attend the semi-formal affair. Dick Stendel and Clayton Jack head the committee, which plans to put on a dance rivaling those of pre-war years in the Cleveland area.

*Friday noon meetings:* Cleveland Sig Eps get together every Friday noon at the Nanking Restaurant on Euclid Avenue. The frequency of weekly meetings has stimulated attendance and permits at least 50 of the brothers to attend one or more of the luncheons over a four-week period.

—JACK GAMBLE

### **Oklahoma City**

S. M. Hart, Oklahoma Alpha, was re-elected president of the Oklahoma City Alumni Club at a recent dinner meeting. Harold Miller, Oklahoma Beta, was elected vice-president; Tom Utterback, Oklahoma Alpha, and Larry Stephenson, Oklahoma Beta, publicity and public relations director.

One of the principal projects of the alumni group is a country club rush party for the Alpha and Beta chapters a short time before rush week. The party is an outdoor affair with swimming in the country club pool prior to an outdoor buffet.

The party this year, held at the Oklahoma City Twin Hills Golf and Country Club, was well attended by actives, rushees, and alumni from all over the state.

### **Portland**

Portland alumni met Friday, October 7, at the Heathman Hotel for a regular monthly get-together. President DiBenedetto reported



At Thiel in Pennsylvania, "Grads unlimited pick a streetcar named desire to win."



on the recent Conclave and announced that an interim committee on Conclave plans would be appointed shortly.

In as much as no meeting is scheduled for the month of September because of the Conclave in Chicago, the 35 brothers who attended were anxious to hear of the fall programs at Oregon and Oregon State. District Governor H. B. Robinson, Oregon Alpha, supplied the data on rushing and brought the group up to date on the University of Oregon, dwelling particularly on the construction of the fraternity house after the fire during the summer.

Next meeting was set for November 4 by President DiBenedetto. —TED J. BUSH

## **Tulsa**

To become better acquainted with the new pledge class at Tulsa, one member of the class meets with us at our weekly luncheon. The program, under the direction of Jack Mitchell, is becoming a great success with attendance on the increase every week. With Homecoming in the offing, many Tulsa area alumni are visiting their home chapters and are returning with new ideas for better alumni-active relationship. Planning with the executive committee of Oklahoma Gamma has brought about the installation of a new heating system in the chapter house at Tulsa.

—JACK M. CRUDUP

## **Omaha**

Ak-sar-ben Chapter held the first fall meeting November 24 at Gorat Steak House. District Governor W. E. Rogers was in attendance.

Chapter president Bob Hastert has been transferred to Oklahoma City by the firm of Wilson & Co. V. P. Ernie Gray, Missouri Alpha, will take over for the remainder of the year.

Alumni in Omaha or vicinity are urged to contact Bill Krug, secretary, at Omaha Public Power District, Electric Building, and get on the mailing list.

—DEKE BRYANT

## **Denver**

Denver Alumni Chapter continues to hold its regular Friday noonday luncheons for all those loyal Sig Eps who can find the time and inclination to drop in and visit. The Denver Dry Goods dining hall is the spot and we send out standing invitations to all who may be in Denver in the future to be our guests.

The month of October gave the following brothers the opportunity to attend and weigh the merits of the various football teams:

Ken Hamlin, Kansas Beta, with Mountain States Telephone Company, our alumni president, became a proud father this past May. It's a boy. Dr. William Smolenske, Colorado Beta,

a dentist, and one of our national officers is nearly always in attendance. His son Jack, Colorado Beta, '48, meets his father and the rest of us at the Denver. Max Krey, Kansas Beta, '49, has the habit of attending. He is a geologist for Uncle Sam. Phil Short, Colorado Alpha, '17, occasionally shows up when he does not have a buyer for his automobiles. Chet Schrepferman, Colorado Alpha, '21, finds time from his varied construction endeavors to be present and chew over doings with Charles Patch, Colorado Alpha, '12. Charley is still in the General Insurance Business. Vic Staley, Colorado Alpha, '21, and Joe Dunleavy, New York Beta, '21, add variety to their normal lives by being in the gang. Brothers Herman and Roland Swedlund of Colorado Alpha both showed at a recent session.

William A. McDonald, a CPA, is always at the table when names are called. Harry Christopher, with *Hotel Greeter* Magazine, and our attorney Albert Isbill, are present. Dentist Brother Ray Weaver, Colorado Beta, is a regular collector of the door prize and likes it. Ray Burlingame from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, visited us at one luncheon. Matt MacBride, Colorado Beta president, often drops in for the luncheons. Secretary W. Earnest Hunter, Iowa Gamma, '17, keeps looking for more of those Hawkeys to pay us a visit. —W. E. HUNTER

## **Tallahassee**

We have begun work to form an alumni organization which will grow. The enthusiasm is certainly pleasing, and we should be able to expect further interest from those who are within even a reasonable distance of Tallahassee. We actually are asking all Sig Eps within 100 miles driving distance to contact any of the local men for the purpose of entering our group. We would like for them to be with us as we receive our charter as an alumni unit of our Fraternity.

Reeves Bowen, one of the charter members of Florida Alpha, is now Assistant Attorney General of Florida. He is very active in the local alumni endeavors.

Mack Humphrey, Florida Alpha, is manager of Alford Brothers, Inc.

Ed Neel Lowrie, Florida Alpha, is with the United States Postal Service.

Murphy Roy Hinson, Ph.D., is a member of the staff in the School of Education at F.S.U. He is one of the early members of Florida Alpha.

Freeman W. Ashmore, Florida Alpha, is principal of the newly-constructed South City School here in Tallahassee.

James R. Hunter, Jr., Florida Alpha, is with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is located in the Post Office building.

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Robert B. Jenkins, Georgia Alpha, is personnel officer in the Florida Industrial Commission.

Roy T. Shaw, Jr., Utah Alpha, is a member of the faculty in the Department of Commerce. Roy was at one time a marketing analyst with the Golden State organization, the largest dairying concern in the West. He earned his master of business degree from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business. He came to F.S.U. in October, 1948.

James T. Davenport, Georgia Alpha, is with the Seabrook Hardware Company, the Seabrook Truck and Tractor Company, and other Seabrook interests.

Rabun H. Dittmar, Florida Alpha, has been in the State Department of Auditing since his graduating from the University of Florida.

Charles C. Burton, a recent Florida Alpha graduate, is with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

William E. Dunn, Alabama Alpha, is with the Florida State Board of Health.

Other local men are Joseph W. Pepper, Jr., Florida Alpha; William W. Kary, Georgia Alpha, who is with the Smith Construction Company; and James L. Burnett, Jr., Florida Alpha.

The last of the sixteen local alumni is your reporter, who is an instructor of accounting here at F.S.U. since October, 1948.

—L. B. GRAVELY, III

### **Middle Tennessee**

At a recent meeting of the Middle Tennessee Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Association, the following named brothers were elected as new officers of the association: President, E. H. (Herc) Alley, Tennessee Alpha, manager, Vanderbilt Athletic Assoc., Vanderbilt Campus, Nashville; vice-president, A. Paul Brown, Georgia Alpha, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Nashville; secretary and treasurer, R. Denton Duke, Tennessee Alpha, Nashville Electric Service, Nashville, home address: Brentwood, Tenn. It is requested that all mail to be sent to this Association be sent to Brother Duke, Brentwood, Tenn.

—THEODORE F. REGISTER

### **Logan, Utah**

Utah Alpha boasts of having one of the most active alumni boards in the Fraternity. Three years ago, when other groups at Utah State were buying "cracker-box" houses at fabulous prices, we snooped in and got a sizeable, attractive house, in a good location, for \$14,550. Our borrowed indebtedness was \$12,250.

Today, three years hence, we grin to tell you that the second mortgage has been liquidated



GRADY SETZLER, who attended USC back in the twenties, became, on September 25, the 500th initiate of California Beta. This culminated the longest pledgeship in California Beta history, lasting for 25 years.

Grady was a charter member of Alpha Sigma Delta, the local which became California Beta. He was instrumental in bringing Sigma Phi Epsilon to the campus. Being unable to attend the installation ceremony, Grady kept putting off being initiated.

Until September 25. On that day, California Beta was honored by having ten of the founders of the chapter present for the initiation of their old friend.

Grady during his undergraduate days was an active man on campus. Besides acting as librarian of the fraternity, he was editor of the *Wampus*, SC humor magazine, and assistant editor of the *Daily Trojan* and of *El Rodeo*, the yearbook.

Since his graduation, having emerged well into the business world, he has become the publisher of the *Palo Verde Times*, a member of the board of directors of the California Newspaper Publishers Association, and is vice-president of the chamber of commerce.

—AL MONEY

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and the first mortgage reduced to \$6,087. Over and above this, Utah Alpha Chapter has a building fund of over \$4,600. Meanwhile, we are enjoying a substantial house and making big improvements in the surroundings and facilities. Which all goes to teach the workability of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Plan of Finance.

The board regrets the loss of a member, Roden G. Shumway, of Salt Lake City, who resigned as a result of ill health.

Dee W. Harris, of Tremonton, who has been elected to fill the vacancy, was chapter comptroller in 1935-36. The board consists of K. John Roundy of Salt Lake City, president; Cyril D. Garr of Logan, secretary; Lyle E. Holmgren, of Logan, treasurer; Dee W. Harris, member, and Joe Davis, chapter comptroller.

—LYLE E. HOLMGREN

## New York

A first meeting of the fall was held October 26 at the New York University chapter house, 141 West 4th Street, New York City.

—GEORGE FREUND

## Boston

A dinner get-together was staged with the undergraduate members of the Pegis Club on October 27.

—AL TROWSDALE

## ★ BRIEFS ★

### Colorado

W. E. Blomgren, '14, has been made assistant chief engineer for the Bureau of Reclamation, U. S. Department of Interior, situated at Denver Federal Center, 10 miles west of Denver. For approximately 10 years he was in charge of the preparation of preliminary designs, estimates, and reports on many dams and power plants in this area, including Shasta, Marshall Ford, and Wagon Wheel Gap.

Ralph Prator, '29, is director of admissions and of records of his alma mater.

C. Harry Christopher, '37, editor and manager of *The Hotel Greeter*, official publication of the International Hotel Greeters Association, and a former secretary-treasurer of the Denver, Colo., Junior Chamber of Commerce, was chairman of the general Homecoming Committee of his alma mater for 1949.

### Colorado State

Morris D. Finkner, '43, employed for the past two years at the Experimental Station at State College, Miss., as agronomist, has entered North Carolina State College to study for a Ph.D.

## Duke

Fred T. Wiggins, '25, former president of his chapter, is vice-president of sales of the Universal Atlas Cement Company, situated in New York.

## Illinois

Patrick J. Galvin, '46, has resigned as editor of the *Ancil Herald*, of Rondo, Tex., to join the editorial staff of the *San Antonio Light*.

John P. Brown, '20, is in the accounting department of Bluebird Coach Lines, Inc., Brookfield, Ill.

William H. Allen, '36, is district geologist with Shell Oil Company of Canada, Ltd., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

A. B. Redell, '30, is a partner in the real estate firm of Redell-Stuart and Company, Fountain City, Tenn. Dr. H. C. Ruddick, '12, has been president of the Indiana State Board of Medical Registration and Examination for the past six years. He lives at Evansville, Ind.

Arthur H. Douglas, '37, is secretary of the Mather Stock Car Company, Chicago, Ill.

Elmer Blasco, '43, is advertising and publicity manager of the Rawlings Sporting Goods Company, St. Louis, Mo.

Elmer Engel, '43, is jayvee gridiron mentor at his alma mater.

Fred R. Ahlers, '42, is in the patent law department of B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, Ohio.

R. A. Fash, '20, is an electrical engineer with Arthur G. McKee and Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

John Paul Davis, '29, is state's attorney for Union County, Ill., with offices at Jonesboro.

Robert L. Ray is associated with the special steels division of Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., Emeryville, Calif.

## Iowa

Robert Killebrew, '28, is a dentist at Des Moines.

Bruce Kenworthy, '18, is a sales representative for the Des Moines Steel Company, Des Moines.

Dick Nazette, '45, is practicing law at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Robert Cherry, '32, is manager of a garage in Cedar Rapids and is alumni comptroller of his chapter.

Lester Moeller, '25, is head of the school of journalism at his alma mater.

Emil Trott, '32, is police magistrate at Iowa City.

Everett Streit is managing editor of the Clinton, Iowa, *Herald*.

Howard Roebken, '30, is district sales super-

visor for Bell Telephone Company at Waterloo, Iowa.

Paul Van Horn, '28, is manager of Lamson Brothers Company, Waterloo, Iowa.

Jerry Niles, '47, is with the grocery products division of Pillsbury Mills, Minneapolis, Minn.

Hugh Ames, '48, is employed by the University of Minnesota, and resides at Minneapolis.

### **Kansas**

Joe Steininger, '48, is a chemist for the Bendix Aviation Company at Kansas City, Mo.

Bill Fisher, '48, is teaching in western Kansas.

Dick Bertuzzi, '48, after being injured while playing with the Chicago Bears, is a chemist for the Cook Paint and Varnish Company at Kansas City, Mo.

Kenneth Peters, '48, has gone to South America as a mechanical engineer for the Standard Oil Company.

John Moorhead, '48, is a manufacturing representative for the Rust-Oleum Corporation in Tulsa, Okla.

Clifford Clark, '47, is working on an M.A. in political science at the University of Chicago.

Noble Melencamp, '48, is working on an M.A. in history at the University of Colorado.

Charles Medlock, '48, is working for the Sealright Company at Kansas City, Mo.

Joe Schmitz, '49, is a manufacturing representative at Kansas City, Mo.

Judson Goodrich, '46, is completing work on a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of California.

John Foust, '47, is practicing law at Iola, Kan.

Alan Dougherty, '48, is an aeronautical engineer for the Beech Aircraft Company at Wichita, Kan.

Lyle Woodring, '48, is working for the Ablah Manufacturing Company at Wichita, Kan.

### **Kansas State**

Ervin W. Segebrecht is eastern sales manager for the chemical division of the Armour Company, situated at Hackensack, N.J.

### **Kentucky**

John Hunsaker, '40, is branch manager of the Frankfort, Ky., office of Western News-paper Union.

### **Massachusetts**

Laurence A. Bevan, '13, is director of the University of New Hampshire Agriculture Extension Service.

William S. Coley, '16, is head of the Science

department of Central High School, Bridgeport, Conn.

Charles O. Dunbar, '19, is associate horticulturist at the University of Maryland Fruit Laboratory, College Park, Md.

Alexander C. Hodson, '28, is professor of entomology in the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minn.

George W. Noble, '30, is production supervisor for the General Electric Company at Pittsfield, Mass.

Robert F. Gorey, '34, is owner of Sears Plumbing and Heating Company, Deerfield, Mass.

Chester L. French, '34, is head of the analytical laboratory of the Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo.

George F. Flannigan, '40, is assistant personnel officer at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Northampton, Mass.

### **Missouri**

Art "Pinkey" Nebel, who planted the tree on the west lawn in front of the house, is director of the state program for aid to crippled children in Columbia, with offices attached to the University Hospital.

Dan Finney, '48, is working for a paint and automotive supply house in Maplewood, Mo.

Jim Horn, '38, is an aeronautical engineer for McDonnell Aircraft Company, St. Louis.



Zoology building, University of Cincinnati.

Bill Nackinhorst, '40, is a chemical engineer for a pharmaceutical company in St. Louis and is active in alumni work here.

Don Scherman, '43, has visited the house several times this semester while on road trips for his firm, Remington-Rand. He lives in St. Louis.

L. C. McCauley, who used to play a lot of football for Missouri, is football coach at Granite City (Ill.) High School.

Marv Owens, '47, brother of Joe Owens, present Missouri comptroller, is a buyer for Montgomery-Ward in Kansas City.

John Stretch, '48, is working for an insurance company in Kansas City.

Ted Hague, who was here in '23, is back at school to get his degree in journalism. Ted needed only seven hours and hopes to finish this semester. He lives in Hartsburg, Mo., and commutes daily to classes.

Gordon S. Chapman, faculty adviser for the chapter last year, is teaching at the southern branch of Illinois University at Carbondale.

### **Missouri Mines**

Ralph Schowalter, '49, is back at his alma mater as a candidate for an advanced degree in mechanical engineering.

Bob Ray, '47, is a research metallurgist with Rverson Steel Corporation, Emeryville, Calif.

B. J. Rhoads, '47, is a petroleum engineer with Stanolind Oil and Gas Company, Brownfield, Tex.

Jim Snider, '47, is a geologist with the Amerada Petroleum Corporation, Casper, Wyo.

### **N.Y.U.**

Don Nash is working for *Esquire* and living at the chapter house.

Don Bomma, who was graduated in June, is an accountant in New York.

George Wolf and Don Nash are writing the chapter history for the School of Commerce yearbook.

Bill Wood presented the chapter with a scrapbook which brought to life the past year's activities.

—EDWARD K. WALLETT

### **North Carolina State**

Bedford W. Black, attorney in Kannapolis, N.C., and a former member of N.C. Zeta Chapter at Wake Forest College, has been very active in the Young Democratic Club of America. He is at the present time alumni treasurer and secretary-treasurer of the Alumni Trustees of N.C. Zeta Chapter, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Inc.; and as of August 31, 1949, they had in the name of the Alumni Corporation an amount of \$12,835.37 in cash.

### **Oklahoma**

Todd W. Shirley, '48, is a field executive of the Boy Scouts of America, Great Salt Lake Plains Council, Enid, Okla.

### **Oklahoma A & M**

A. O. Martin, '19, alumni treasurer of his chapter, is business manager of the alumni publications of his alma mater.

### **Purdue**

Edward Bluemel, '38, is standards inspector at Lever Brothers Company, Hammond, Ind.

### **Reusselaer**

Raynal W. Andrews, Jr., '29, is division head of the central engineering department of the Aluminum Company of America, 1831 Gulf Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. He was an instructor at R.P.I. from 1929 to 1930 and holds numerous machine patents and was the author of "The Design of Hydraulic Machinery for Modern Production Demands," an article which was published in the August, 1940, issue of *Mechanical Engineering*.

John Boniface, '39, is the assistant superintendent, Blast Furnace Division, of the Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates at Everett, Mass.

Byron D. Forster, '41, is the assistant to the comptroller of the Davega Stores Corporation, in New York City.

John Kriesmer, '49, is lubrication engineer for ARAMCO at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Robert Gottschalk, '31, patent lawyer, is the assistant manager of the development and patent department of Standard Oil Company of Indiana.

Leigh M. Townley, '30, past president of the New York Delta Alumni Corporation, is assistant metallurgist at the Adirondack Foundries & Steel, Inc., Watervliet, N.Y.

Theodore C. Wenzle, '31, is chief of the bureau of appointment, New York State Department of Education, at Albany and president of the Civil Service Employees Association, New York State Department of Education.

Donald Gray Wilson, '38, is the associate professor and chairman, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Kansas. Mr. Wilson received his S.M., M.E.S. and Ph.D. from Harvard and is a member of Sigma Xi.

### **San Diego**

Mark Saunders has embarked on a stage career by appearing in the Hecht-MacArthur play, *The Front Page*, in San Diego, Calif., in November.



**Utah State**

Grant Andreason, '38, is serving as a student coach at the University of California while studying for his master's degree.

L. Burton Redd, 36, is working in the R.O.T.C. at the University of Minnesota.

Dr. R. Guy Lewis, '39, has just completed one year at resident surgeon in the Public Health Service at the U. S. Marine Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. Guy and his family have now moved back to Seattle, Wash., where they plan to make their home. He will be associated with the U. S. Marine Hospital in Seattle.

W. Dean Frischknecht, '42, and his wife, Kathryn, and four children, Dean, Jr., age 6, Dianne, age 5, Dale, age 1 1/2, and Doris, 6 months, are living at Grantsville, Utah. Dean is foreman of the Desert Livestock Company.

**★ VITAL DATA ★****Married**

*"A man finds himself seven years old the day after his marriage."*  
—BACON

Robert Champion, Alabama Alpha, and Dorothy Wynn, on September 3, 1949, at Burkville, Ala.

Frank Williams, Alabama Alpha, and Jean Sterling, on August 20, 1949, at Birmingham, Ala.

Gerald Fields, Alabama Alpha, and Betty Simmons, on September 4, 1949, at Decatur, Ala.

Richard Bruce Shaw, Arkansas Alpha, and Mitzi Vick, Pi Beta Phi, on July 9, 1949, at Fort Smith, Ark.

Douglass Preston Yadon, Jr., Arkansas Alpha, and Betty Warder, February, 1949, at Rogers, Ark.

William Gene Pittman, Arkansas Alpha, and Billie Jo Wilson, on September 2, 1949, at El Dorado, Ark.

George Dewey Franklin, Jr., Arkansas Alpha, and Barbara Walker, on July 4, 1949, at Bryan, Tex.

Morris D. Finkner, Colorado Gamma, '43, and Mary Ella Berry, on September 3, 1949, at Savannah, Ga.

Joseph Oberst, Colorado Delta, and Clare Irene Pitstick, on September 10, 1949, at Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Patrick Holland, Colorado Delta, and Dorothea Dettner, on June 18, 1949, at Oakland, Calif.

Keith Davidson, Colorado Delta, and Bette Vinske, on May 29, 1949, at Denver, Colo.

James C. Michael, Florida Beta, and Jane Sloat, on August 28, 1949, at Windemere, Fla.



Marshall's David McWatters takes a bride.

Robert Hampton Matthews, Florida Beta, and Lolo Belle Matthews, on August 23, 1949, at Autryville, N.C.

Earl J. Coney, Florida Beta, and Anne Smith, on August 23, 1949, at DeLand, Fla.

Paul T. MacAlester, Florida Beta, and Eleanore Everhard, Delta Delta Delta, on August 27, 1949, at New Philadelphia, Ohio.

William J. Hoffses, Florida Delta, and Josephine Derryberry, on June 2, 1949, with chap-  
ter brother John Machold as best man.

Bernie Williams, Kansas Beta, and Lois Rhoades; no time or place reported.

Don Reinhardt, Kansas Beta, and Marilyn Maxfield; no time or place reported.

Paul Jorgenson, Kansas Beta, and Jo Ann Stoecker, on September 18, 1949.

Lyd Bennet, Kansas Beta, and Helen Louise Hare, on October 29, 1949.

Jack Wilson, Kansas Gamma, '49, and Sid Leston, in June, 1949, at Augusta, Kan.

Jim Reynolds, Kansas Gamma, '50, and Charlotte Engle, on August 27, 1949.

Chan Boucher, Kansas Gamma, '50, and Joyce Staley in September, 1949, at Kansas City, Mo. Arthur Riordan, '50, best man; Groomsman: Arthur Cattlett, '48, and Robert Tinklepaugh, '49.

Douglas Paddock, Kansas Gamma, '51, and Susan Curtis in September, 1949, at Kansas City, Mo. Best man was Clarence Frieze, '51; ushers were Jim Younts, '50, and Russ Stephenson, '50.

Russ Stephenson, Kansas Gamma, '50, and

Frances Mee, in September, 1949, at Kansas City, Mo.

Lyle Woodring, Kansas Gamma, '49, and Mary Ann Cruse, at Wichita, on September 25, 1949, with Gene Ryan, '50, and Jack Davis, '50, as ushers.

Henry Douglas Bumsted, Kentucky Alpha, and Ruth Alice Erhardt, on September 10, 1949, at Salem, N.J.

Hite Yenawine, Kentucky Beta, '51, and Gerry Britton, on September 23, 1949.

Edwin C. Aldridge, Jr., Mississippi Beta, '48, and Joyce Bernie Dickerson, of Durant, Miss., on October 30, 1948.

William T. Oakes, Mississippi Beta, '48, and Peggy Dear, of Meridian, Miss., on July 3, 1949.

Walter Roberts, Missouri Alpha, '49, and Claire Foisy, of Lowell, Mass., onetime American Overseas Airline stewardess, on October 1, 1949, with chapter brother Thomas Kelly as best man and chapter brothers Donald Fry, Ruch Scott, Wes Parker, and Larry Taylor as ushers.

William Curran, Missouri Beta, and Carol Ann Jackson, Washington U. Alpha Xi Delta, during December, 1948.

Parton Keese, New Hampshire Alpha, '50, and Jane Wright, on September 1, 1949, at Denver, Colo.

Edward DeMeter, New York Alpha, and Anita Schrimpe, on June 16, 1949, at Woodbridge, N.J.

Fred K. Thornberg, New York Alpha, and Phyllis Dean, on June 25, 1949, at Summit, N.J.

E. William Thun, New York Alpha, and Patricia Stanton, on September 10, 1949, at Wurtsboro, N.Y.

Robert Whitney, New York Alpha, and Gladys Becker, on September 10, 1949, at Braintree, Mass.

William Howard Cantwell, New York Delta, and Jean Carol Mersmen, on August 27, 1949, at New York City.

Minard Huntley Witnall, New York Delta, and Helen Scott, Skidmore graduate, on July 19, 1949, at Quincy, Mass. (This marriage was incorrectly reported in the October issue. Ed.)

William Wyatt, North Carolina Beta, '49, and Peggy VonCanon, on October 1, 1949, at Sanford, N.C.

Bernard Smith, North Carolina Beta, '49, and Madeline Shirley Savage; date not reported.

Walter Barnes, North Carolina Beta, '50, and Nancy Bryant, on August 20, 1949, at Wilmington, N.C.

Jim Boger, North Carolina Beta, '48, and Bootie Crenshaw, during the summer of 1949.

Beverly H. McKeown, North Carolina Gamma, '49, and Alice Cole, on October 1, 1949, in Duke University Chapel, Durham, N.C.

James Raymond Nance, North Carolina

Delta, and Helen Carolyn Faucette, on October 8, 1949, at Warrenton, N.C.

Bill Brinkmeyer, Ohio Alpha, and Betty Rolfes, on August 14, 1949, at Lima, Ohio.

Richard Lowrie, Ohio Alpha, and Joan McDermott on August 20, 1949, at Lorain, Ohio.

Clarence Shields, Ohio Gamma, '46, and Norma Faye Bookless, on September 11, 1949, in the First Methodist Church at Newark, Ohio, with chapter brother Robert K. Johnson, '49, as best man and chapter brother William C. Anderson, '49, as honorary head usher.

Al Donahoe, Ohio Epsilon, '49, and Mary Ann Chapman, Ohio Wesleyan Alpha Chi Omega, on June 13, 1949, at Delaware, Ohio.

George Staiger, Ohio Epsilon, '50, and Maxine Schotte, on June 1, 1949, at Delaware, Ohio.

Hugh Reigger, Ohio Epsilon, '49, and Phyllis Gibson, Ohio Wesleyan Kappa Kappa Gamma, on June 25, 1949, at Middletown, Ohio.

William Wallace, Ohio Epsilon, and Phyllis Spencer, on July 2, 1949.

James Burr Hargus, Ohio Zeta, and Hattie Wagoner, Phi Mu, at Cuvahoga Falls, Ohio.

George Donald Benesh, Ohio Zeta, and Gloria Davis, Phi Mu, July, 1949, at Canton, Ohio.

Donald Curtis Pollard, Ohio Zeta, and Marilyn McConnell, March, 1949, at Lorain, Ohio.

Lester Kenneth Wyman, Ohio Zeta, and Sylvia Hennigan, March, 1949, at Ashtabula, Ohio.

Wayne Lansdowne, Ohio Eta charter member, and Geraldine Walsh, on September 3, 1949, in Holy Cross Church, Euclid, Ohio.

Clayton E. Lee, Oklahoma Beta, '47, and Evelyn Dalton, on February 11, 1949, at Tuttle, Okla.

George Micheal Tapp, Oklahoma Beta and Ellen Josephine Johnson, Alpha Delta Pi, on August 27, 1949, at Enid, Okla., in the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual help.

Emmett McKee Johnson, Oklahoma Beta, and Jean Hinds, Delta Delta Delta, September 7, in West Medford, Mass., in the West Medford Congregational Church.

Bill Holderness, Oklahoma Beta, and Ruth Goodman, in the First Baptist Church, at Dallas, Tex.

Kenneth W. Sherwood, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '49, and Doris Halliday, graduate of Centenary Junior College, on October 8, at Englewood, N.J.

William P. Douglas, Pennsylvania Eta, '47, and Joyce Hodgins, Miss Penn State of 1948, on May 7, 1949, at Philadelphia.

Robert W. Bittner, Pennsylvania Nu. and Evelyn Lohr, on August 27, 1949, at Stoystown, Pa., with chapter brothers Eli H. Shockey, Ray E. Blanset, and John P. Kunkle as ushers.

Ray Doggett, Virginia Alpha, and Alice New-

bill, on October 8, at Gloucester Point, Va.

Ray Dietrich, Virginia Alpha, and Margaret Ennis, on October 3, at Waxhaw, N.C.

Joe Murray, Virginia Alpha, and Anne Albertson, on October 15, at Richmond, Va.

Morris Bennett, Virginia Alpha, and Marilyn Downes, on June 18, at Palm Beach, Fla.

Ben Triplett, Virginia Alpha, and Frances Covington, on June 11, at Richmond, Va.

Jack Koegel, Virginia Eta, and Jo Ann Keller, on September 30, 1949, at Corydon, Ind., with chapter brother Chris Warthian, '49, as best man and chapter brother Harry Lewis, '49, as an usher.

Lew Bridgforth, Virginia Eta, and Helen Renfro, sometime in October, 1949.

Henry Hortenstine, Virginia Eta, and Martha Gayle, sometime in August, 1949, at Richmond, Va.

John Hafling, Virginia Eta, and Jane Dorset, sometime in August, 1949, at Richmond, Va.

David McWatters, West Virginia Gamma, and Dorothy Lee Bartlett, onetime Marshall College Carnival Queen and Sig Ep Sweetheart, on September 17, 1949, in the Broad Oaks Methodist Church, Clarksburg, W.Va.

Ivan Hawthorne, West Virginia Gamma, and Gloria Juanita Williams, Marshall College Alpha Xi Delta, on July 16, 1949, at Ironton, Ohio.

Vernon Haack, Wisconsin Alpha, '49, and Virginia Moulton, Pi Beta Phi, on June 18, 1949, at LaGrange, Ill.

Robert Rohrhoff, Wisconsin Alpha, '48, and Jean Martin, Pi Beta Phi, on June 25, 1949, at Chicago, Ill.

David Weber, Wisconsin Alpha, '50, and Mary Frances Johnson, on August 27, 1949, at Glendale, Calif.

Jay Vana Paxton, Wyoming Alpha, and Elizabeth Mae Newell, on June 10, 1949, at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Jesse Franklin Norris, Wyoming Alpha, and Ruth Ann Smith, on July 14, 1949, at Thermopolis, Wyo.

David Russell Patterson, Wyoming Alpha, to Shirley Laughlin, on August 21, at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Glen Dabrymple, Wyoming Alpha, and Dorothy Vanek, on June 17, 1949, at Laramie, Wyo.

Fred Taylor Baggs, Wyoming Alpha, and Patricia Fitz, on September 3, 1949, at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Robert Jensen, Wyoming Alpha, and Patricia Covington, on September 25, 1949, at Laramie, Wyo.

Floyd Schauermaun, Wyoming Alpha, and Catherine Eaton, on September 18, 1949, at Torrington, Wyo.



Or so thinks Poppa Wendland,  
Wisconsin Beta. Item on page 204.

## Born

*"A link between angels and men."*

—TUPPER

To Mr. and Mrs. William Chalmers, Alabama Alpha, a son, Robert Scott, on September 8, 1949, at Milwaukee, Wis.

To Mr. and Mrs. James G. Johnstone, Colorado Delta, '48, a daughter, Nancy Louise, on September 5, 1949, at Lafayette, Ind.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chapman, Delaware Alpha, '51, a daughter, Diana Lee, on July 15, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rowe, Delaware Alpha, '49, a son, Charles III, on August 14, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore F. Register, D. C. Alpha, '38, secretary of the Middle Tennessee Alumni Association, a son, David Warfield, on December 18, 1948, at Nashville, Tenn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Easley, Indiana Alpha, '48, a daughter, Kay Elizabeth, on September 18, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. George R. Slater, Indiana Alpha, '46, a daughter, Kathleen Anne, on September 6, 1949, in the Middletown Hospital, Middletown, Ohio.

To the Rev. and Mrs. Leslie H. Johnson, Iowa Alpha, '38, a daughter, Ruth Ann, on March 9, at 1949, at Newton, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Prather, Kansas Beta, a daughter, Carolyn Ann; no time or place reported.

To Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gard, Kansas Beta, a son, Mark Philip; no time or place reported.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barker, Kansas Gamma, '49, a daughter, Leslie Ann, on February 12, 1949, at Kansas City, Mo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Cornell C. Clarke, Kentucky Alpha, '48, a daughter, Deborah Sue, on September 30, 1949, at Lexington, Ky.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Meers, Kentucky Alpha, '47, a son, David Anderson, on September 17, 1949.

To Dr. and Mrs. Carl Schopfer, Maryland Alpha, '43, a son, Carl John Jr., on March 4, 1949, in Mountsinead Hospital, Montclair, N.J.

To Richard W. Allen, Massachusetts Beta, '45, a daughter, Kathleen Joyce, on April 5, 1949; for Henry W. Allen, Massachusetts Alpha, '13, a granddaughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Curtis Ambler, Massachusetts Beta, '42, a second son, Tracy Brett, on September 8, 1949, at Newington, Conn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Norris, Massachusetts Beta, a son, on October 22, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Forrest S. Clark, New Jersey Beta, '49, a daughter, on April 17, 1949, at New Brunswick, N.J.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Curson, New York Alpha, a daughter, Caren Louise, on September 3, 1949, in Huntington General Hospital, Huntington, L.I., N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lewis, New York Delta, a daughter, Linda Ann, on September 16, 1949, at Troy, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leon F. Osteyee, New York Delta, a second son, during June, 1949, at Troy, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sherwood, New York Delta, '45, a daughter, Nancy Marie, on February 9, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Alyanak, New York Delta, '45, a daughter, Nancy, on April 11, 1949, in Lakewood, Ohio.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Witmer, Jr., New York Delta, '50, a son, John Tobias, III, on March 10, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rucker, North Carolina Beta, '51, a daughter, Mary Catherine, during the summer of 1949; date not reported.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Collier, Ohio Alpha, a son, Timothy John, on March 3, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Detmer, Ohio Gamma, a son, Thomas Reed, on July 14, 1949, at Hamilton, Ohio.

To Mr. and Mrs. Homer L. Biggerstaff, Oklahoma Beta, '49, a son, Bradley Paul, on July 22, 1949, at Norman, Okla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Neal Burnett, Oregon Beta, '46, a son, Brett Scott, on November 27, 1948, at Vancouver, Wash.

To former Field Secretary and Mrs. Ted J. Bush, Oregon Beta, a son, Ted J. Jr., on October 15, 1949, at Portland, Ore.

To Mr. and Mrs. William W. Harper, Pennsylvania Kappa, '45, a daughter, Wendy Ware, on September 17, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thompkins, Virginia Alpha, a second daughter, Betsy Darlene, on September 14, 1949, at Richmond, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schuman, Virginia Alpha, a daughter, their first child, Susan Carroll, on September 9, 1949, at Richmond, Va.

To Herb and Bena Gisselberg, Washington Alpha, a daughter, Beth Lynne, on October 11, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Baumgarner, West Virginia Beta, a son, Robert Lelen, on October 16, 1949, at Ocean View, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth V. Wendland, Wisconsin Beta, '46, a daughter, Cynthia Lynn, on October 4, 1949, at Harris Hospital, Fort Worth, Tex.

To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Natwick, Wyoming Alpha, a daughter, Christina Louise, their first child, on October 3, 1949, at Wheatland, Wyo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riggins, Wyoming Alpha, '50, a son, Jerry Lynn, on January 26, 1949.

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*"Death is a stage in human progress."*

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EMIL S. LISTON, Kansas Alpha, '13, passed away at noon, October 26, 1949, in the 60th year of his age. One of the 24 charter members of his chapter, he was a molder and leader of men, and attained the fame of a great coach as "Bull" Liston.

Matriculating at Baker in 1909, he joined the social club Phi Sigma Phi and helped make it the 34th Sig Ep chapter, meanwhile managing to earn 11 varsity letters in basketball, baseball, football, and soccer, during his college career. He played professional baseball for five years after his graduation but only during the summer months. While still in college he coached the basketball and football teams of Baldwin High School. His basketball team won the state championship in 1912.

Upon graduation, he accepted a job as coach of the Fort Scott, Kan., High School teams, and here his basketball teams won the district championship.

Liston next went to Kemper Military School, Booneville, Mo., where his basketball team won the championship among military schools. In 1918, he transferred to Michigan College of Mines, Houghton, Mich., and founded the Upper Peninsula basketball tournament. He trained a detachment of engineers in the use of oxygen helmets in World War I.





Coach "Buff" Liston in his heyday.

In 1920, he assumed the duties of football, basketball, and baseball coach at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., where his football team beat Columbia one year and his baseball team trounced Yale, Dartmouth, Johns Hopkins, Williams, and Amherst. From Wesleyan, Liston returned to Baker where he was director of athletics and coach of football, baseball, and basketball for more than 22 years.

Although he did many things, and did them well, perhaps Emil Liston will be known longest by the sports editors for his latest activity—that of secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball, a position he held from 1938 until his death. He was the leading promoter of the National Intercollegiate Championship Basketball tournaments which have been held annually in Kansas City, Mo., since 1938.

But we of Kansas Alpha will remember Emil Liston for other achievements besides. Only a week before his death this iron-gray-haired man led the chapter in song practice. Emil "Buff" Liston won many trophies for Baker and for other institutions, but we have accorded to him unseen trophies: the heart of every living member of Kansas Alpha.

—CHARLES H. CUTLER

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Robert M. Massey, Jr., Alabama Alpha, '49; no facts reported other than his death.

Evert Rose, California Beta, on February 28, 1949.

Ted Hartman, Colorado Gamma active, of LaJunta, Colo.; drowned on October 9, 1949.  
George E. White, Iowa Alpha, '49, on December 12, 1948.

Leroy H. Carter, Kansas Alpha; no facts reported other than his death.

James K. Hamilton, Kentucky Alpha, '51, senior marshal and song leader of his chapter; killed on September 5, 1949, when he came in contact with a high voltage transformer at his work.

George Kelso, Massachusetts Alpha, '26; no facts reported other than his death.

Herbert T. Hatch, Massachusetts Alpha; no facts reported other than his death.

Herman T. Van Aller, Missouri Beta, '24, radio engineer at Station KXLW, Clayton, Mo.; on September 15, 1949.

William B. Bassett, New Hampshire Alpha, '30, on July 26, 1949.

Percy C. Weeks, North Carolina Delta active; killed in an automobile accident on New Year's Day, 1949.

Benjamin A. Ball, Ohio Alpha, sometime during 1948; date not reported.

Charles A. Wilson, Ohio Alpha, on June 6, 1949.

Dr. H. D. Roads, Ohio Epsilon, on March 21, 1949.

\* Robert B. Thomas, Oregon Alpha, '37, supply officer on the Destroyer *U.S.S. Longshaw*, with the rank of lieutenant (jg), killed when his ship was sunk at the Battle of Okinawa by Japanese shore batteries, on May 18, 1945.

Cleveland Norcross, Pennsylvania Delta, '34, general manager of the American Institute of Physics, New York City, a former executive in the Office of Scientific Research and Development, Washington, D.C., from 1934 to 1937 a manager of various departments for the R. H. Macy & Company department store at New York City; on March 21, 1949, in the Neurological Institute of New York, after an emergency operation for a brain tumor.

Gudmund J. Paulie, Pennsylvania Eta; no facts reported other than his death.

William M. Duff, Pennsylvania Lambda; during January, 1949.

Lewis N. Taylor, South Carolina Alpha, on February 19, 1949.

\*David M. Coulter, Tennessee Alpha, '43; no other fact reported than that he was killed in action during World War II.

\*David E. Rosser, Tennessee Alpha, '43; killed in action during World War II.

Halmond K. Stanfield, Tennessee Alpha; no facts reported other than his death.

Albert P. M. Jackson, Tennessee Alpha; no facts reported other than his death.

William W. Robinson, Jr., Tennessee Alpha, '50, on December 8, 1948.





Guests at an Oklahoma costume party applaud some fine home-made entertainment.

## *On the Campus*

### ★ REPORTS ★

#### **Alabama**

Alabama Beta opened the fall quarter with a general cleanup week in preparation for rush season which began September 21. We have open rush. At present we have 15 pledges. Our rush functions included several smokers, house dances, and a steak fry. Added entertainment featured the last event, including Roy Driggers, active, at the piano, and a Negro quintet.

Chapter officers: president, John M. Lee; vice-president, Horace G. Sanders; treasurer, James W. Harris; historian, John M. Sims; secretary, Roy M. Driggers.

Initiates since the last report: Floyd Edward Boone, Bay Minette; James Woodson Harris, Jr., Crozet, Va.; John Steven Vodantis, Fairfield; Ted Powers Griffin, Decatur; Charles Alexander Harvey, Fairfield; William Woodfin Sandlin, Jr., Florence (legacy); Virgilio M. Garcia, San Jose de la Ramos, Cuba.

Among honorary members are Prof. Warren G. Keith, of the engineering faculty, and Stephen Michael Dunne, a former pledge of this chapter, who was initiated for us by California Beta. Dunne is now acting in Hollywood.

On October 22, 1949, the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama approved a \$30,000 loan from the University to aid us in the building of a new fraternity house. The total cost of the house unfurnished will be approximately \$50,000. This total is almost reached and we expect to let the contract by the end of this year. The house will be the first on the new fraternity row at the eastern end of the campus.

—JOHN M. SIMS

#### **Auburn Tech**

Here at Auburn we climaxed rush week with the pledging of 19 men. This may seem small compared to the 30 and 40 men pledge classes of some of the other fraternities, however our group becomes unwieldy when the ranks become too swelled. We have seven pledges from summer quarter which makes a total of 26 pledges in all. Our membership numbers 60 men, and the house is filled, 33 men being accommodated.

Construction plans call for a new dining hall (twice the size of the present one which feeds 70 men in two shifts), enlarged bath facilities and not less than six rooms, two men to the room. A must item in the improvement of the house is a new roof.

The members and pledges who were in school this summer laid out and began construction on a patio for the back yard. This project has not been completed due to the combined hot weather and closeness to the swimming holes, however we intend to complete the work this quarter so that we can entertain with wiener roasts and picnics. The patio will also be a good rushing assest.

The fall season has already begun on the campus with rushing in full swing. Two parties were held, one being a typical smoker. Buffet dinner was served for 90 men. A showing of the 1948 Auburn-Tulane game was held. Tulane won that tilt 21-7. The other party was a house dance where the men and their dates just danced, talked, and partook of Mother Kate's delicious fruit punch. We have tried to promote bigger and better socials among this house and the sororities and we are continuing this practice by scheduling house dances for three sororities this quarter. Hayrides, picnics, and other parties will round out an active fall season with the finale being a pre-game dance held the night before the Auburn-Alabama game in Birmingham. Most of the men will be gathering at the Windsor Room of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel for an evening of merriment before the second game of a newly instituted series.

Christmas holidays are a little far off but there will be several functions at some of the members' homes.

—CARL BRUNER

### **Baker**

Kansas Alpha comes back to the campus strong this year with 17 new pledges to bring the total roster to 63. New pledges were Bud Elliott, Jim King, George Parker, Ralph Kauffman, Earle Jones, Larry Rowe, Martin Rollert, Dave Stallard, Bill Bunten, Jim Hutchens, Rod Busey, Clyde Spangler, Bill Vohs, Richard Ensley, John Martin, Bud Littleton, and Frank Carver. Officers of the pledge class are: president, Parker; vice-president, Busey; secretary-treasurer, Stallard.

Officers for the first semester of Kansas Alpha are: president, Dick Joyce; vice-president, Ernie Anselmi; secretary, Stan Johnson; historian, Jim Yeater; and comptroller, Roy Dole-shaw.

An improvement to the house has been the addition of a large, colonial style door. The third-floor bath was remodeled, a new shower added, and new mirrors and lights installed. Sig Ep became the first on the campus to purchase a television set, a large Zenith model, made possible by contributions of the active chapter and pledge class.

The Mothers' Club of Kansas Alpha held the first meeting of the school year at the chapter house, September 30. Officers elected were:

president, Mrs. Huckle; vice-president, Mrs. Ensley; secretary, Mrs. Rollert; and treasurer, Mrs. King?

Jim Smith, '49, was a member of the Baker debate squad that captured the sweepstake trophy at the national convention of Pi Kappa Delta by winning out over 664 entrants from 36 states. Jim was also honored as being one of the ten outstanding students on the campus.

Dee Maple, '49, another of our graduating seniors, was selected as the Popularity King of the campus by a student poll.

Gene Colegrove, '49, was elected to Alpha Delta Sigma, national honorary fraternity, highest scholastic honor on the Baker campus.

Five Sig Eps made the starting berth on the football team: John Zorn, Ted Cleavenger, Larry Noll, Bud Sloop, and Ernie Swenson. Also seeing a lot of service are Ernie Anselmi, Rod Enos, Walt Martin, Ace Cleavenger, and Harry Barret. Six men from Kansas Alpha were on the Dean's Honor Roll; Bill Bucher, Gene Colegrove, Stan Johnson, Gene Shores, Jim Yeater, and Jim Smith. In International Relations Organizations are Stan Johnson, Jim King, Rod Busey, George Parker, and Phil Woodworth. In the Baker University Band are Gene Enos, Stan Johnson, Jim Yeater, and Frank Carver. In the various language clubs are Ernie Mai, Bill Hey, and Jim Yeater. In the Philosophical Forum are Phil Woodworth, George Parker, and Stan Johnson. Jim Yeater has received the appointment of station manager of the college radio station, KBUB. Charles Cutler is a staff writer for the *Baker Orange*, student publication. Stan Johnson and Jim Yeater are charter members of the newly organized creative writing organization, Gamma Pi Omicron.

—JIM YEATER

### **Baldwin-Wallace**

We are about a year and a half late reporting to the JOURNAL but hope to bring Ohio Zeta up to date with this entry.



Auburn's Jimmy Thompson inspects progress of patio after day's work.

Last year our chapter took second place in the following events: Homecoming decorations, W.S.S.F. Carnival, the Interfraternity Sing, and the May Day floats. We dropped, however, in the Interfraternity Chariot Race and intramural sports. Our Spring dinner-dance was held at the University Club in Cleveland and turned out a complete success. Also Charles Lang and Gorden Weir were elected to the Dayton C. Miller (Gold Key) honor fraternity.

Present officers: Tom Lewis, president; Vince Harshman, vice-president; Frank Lang, controller; Robert Bostwick, historian; Elmer Portmann, secretary; Don Braden, corresponding secretary; and Cary Bayreuther, pledgemaster.

The house received a downstairs face-lifting with the redecorating of the rooms and the addition of new furniture. Our housemother Mrs. Phelps, has returned this fall having recovered from an injury suffered last winter.

—ROBERT BOSTWICK

### **Bradley**

Manpower: 53 actives, 14 pledges, one cocker spaniel, one black cat, and one squirrel (now in hospital). New actives are Clifford Turner, Jim Flores, Jr., Gerald Mauk, Norville Fenton, Richard Pealstrom, Robert Parks, John Balzer, Donald Chlupsa, Emil Synger, Henry Soltermann, Jr., Robert Cavanaugh, Albert Daynor, and Stanton Acherson.

The men returned this fall to a completely redecorated house. Last spring the entire first floor was redecorated under the direction of Andy Anderson and this fall the second floor was repainted. In addition the living-room has new furnishings complete from rugs on the floor to pictures on the walls, via the generous discounts of Alumnus Paul Marshall. There are 21 men living in the house, while 35 are served meals.

During last semester our chapter raised its grade point more than any fraternity on campus and now ranks third, only one-tenth of a grade point below first place. The chapter captured the over-all sports tri-league trophy for last year and finished fourth in over-all interfraternity sports. Again this year the chapter will enter all 12 of the interfraternity sports.

All hands are now actively engaged in preparation for homecoming, attempting to repeat on last year's first-place float. —WESLEY VOSS

### **Bucknell**

As the spring semester came to a close, we initiated six men whom we had pledged in October, 1948. These men were: Richard L. Adams, Reading; Richard H. Getty, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Richard M. Morrison Jr., Mamaroneck, N.Y.; Robert E. Reidenauer, Boyertown; Melvin J. Sheridan, Johnstown, and Raymond W. Tallau, Maplewood, N.J., all of the class of 1951.

On October 9, 1949, we initiated four more men whom we had pledged in October, 1948: Howard D. Bidwell, East Hartford, Conn.; Howard A. Cottingham, Summit, N.J.; Frederick W. Parsons, Albion, N.Y.; and Glenn H. Warner, Philadelphia.

In addition to these initiates, Richard Luke has returned after a sojourn of several years in military service. We also have welcomed William J. Scott, Jr., a transfer student from Davis and Elkins College in West Virginia, into the chapter. During Rush Week in October we pledged 12 new men, giving us a total membership of 29 actives and 24 pledges, 10 of whom we expect to initiate in November.

A large undertaking has been the installation of a kitchen and dining-room capable of feeding approximately 55 persons. In addition to this work, all of the rooms on the first floor have been given a coat of paint and the dining room and entrance hall floors have been sanded and shellacked.

Our intramural soccer team is currently tied for the league lead.

The annual Homecoming weekend was celebrated October 21 to 23. Highlights of the weekend were fraternity open houses on Friday and Saturday nights and the return of some of our alumni. Alumni entertained at the house were Dr. James L. Cornely, '26; James M. Graham, '49; George E. Johnsen, '49; Shirley M. Leavitt, '32; Joseph Levi, '48; Wallace W. Loui, '47; LeRoy H. Rhode, '36; Arthur M. Shorts, '30; Kenneth K. Smythe, '48; and Edwin C. Winkle, '44. —B. WRAGG

### **California**

Posting the highest scholastic average for Cal Alphans since 1945, Sig Eps placed 15th in a field of 50 fraternities. The grade point average for the active house during the spring semester of '49 was 1.5.

Norm Nuck and Dick DeMattos were initiated into Phi Phi, national interfraternity honor society. Don Monroe and Jim Frost were elected into Winged Helmet, junior men's honor society. Monroe, shortstop on the Cal nine, spent a month of his summer vacation baseballing with the Bears in the Hawaiian Islands.

Halfback Bob Clarke and Tackles Walt Davis and John Herring are currently cavorting with Pappy Waldorf's undefeated and Rose Bowl favored football squad.

Bill Wirth, high-scoring forward on last year's varsity basketball squad, has reported for duty with the '49-'50 cagers.

Jerry Delaney and Ed Attenborough are out for 130-pound basketball.

The chapter's intramural football and basket-

ball teams both remain undefeated after almost a month of play.

Four Cal Alphans were appointed to positions on Rally Committee: Bob Baker, Rolf Kuhn, Hal McNally, and Jim Monical. —JIM FROST

## Carroll

Manpower: 37 actives and 15 pledges returned this fall. During the first week of school, open house was held each evening, to which everyone was invited to view our new house. Sig Eps and freshmen attended a dance which climaxed this inaugural week.

One month later, was Homecoming, when we welcomed our alumni in our home for the first time since 1941. We had a splendid turnout, for it had been a long time since they could return to a house. Future plans were laid, by which we can obtain an adequate permanent home through buying or building. Any money earned, saved, or contributed will be placed in the building fund, which should be large enough within two years to enable the beginning of our building program. This weekend proved highly successful, with a football victory and the alumni reunions.

Rushing is being assisted by a series of house parties and dances, to which an open invitation is extended to all freshmen.

Our "Attic" has proved to be a very successful recreation room, following its decoration.

Of the four Greek-letter fraternities on the campus, Wisconsin Gamma maintained the highest scholastic average for the spring semester of 1949, and also won the athletic award for the year.

Through the generosity of Dwight Nelson, a television set has been provided and is being put to good use each evening.

June graduates Paul Storbeck and Bud Tester have become teachers in Wisconsin high schools.

A Founders' Day dance will be held November 4.  
—GEORGE HERBRAND

## Colorado

Ed Johnson, our rush chairman, did a grand job in pledging 18 men this fall. His program started early in the summer with his crew meeting boys coming up to the University this fall, organizing picnics, enlisting aid from our active alumni and organizing and executing the planned fall rush week.

The new pledges are: Robert Van Bebber, Donald Zorn, Tom Sears, Gerald Wolf, Morton K. Ohlson, Richard Scott, Robert T. Bate, Richard H. Bate, all of Denver; Dick Hewitt, Napa, Calif.; Russell C. Drew, Diablo Heights, Canal Zone; Edmund P. O'Malley, Chicago, Ill.; John D. Kelly, Billings, Mont.; Dick Lind-



Colorado Mines' first-place float.

berg, Holyoke; David W. Jones, Fort Morgan; Joseph Struthers, Monument; Ronald Gooder, Casper, Wyo.; Don Schwarz, Chadron, Neb.; and James Jacobs, West Los Angeles, Calif. With six holdover pledges from spring quarter, this brings up our pledge class to 24.

On September 15, we initiated James Metcalf and Bob Jones. On October 3, Glen Beck was initiated. We have several transfers, including Roswell A. Hicks from Stetson University in Florida, and Bob Townsend from Colorado Aggies. Also returning after a year's absence is Dick Mortenson who formerly attended Oklahoma A. & M.

Our social chairman, Al Wiese has arranged a schedule of events, including a tri-chapter formal held with Colorado Beta at Denver and Delta at Mines. The dance will be held at the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver, November 12. A costume party with the A.O.P.'s saw the girls dressed as boys in suits and bow ties and the men dressed as charming seductive women complete with formal dinner gown and corsage. Another party was a roller skating party. The annual pledge dance is to be along a South Seas theme with beachcombers and sailors and leis.  
—WILLIAM PYLE

## Colorado Mines

On September 18, the chapter initiated Richard Soares, Curtis Connelly, Donald Van Orden, and Frank Weagent.

Fall rush campaign netted a pledge class of 21 men. Twelve pledges are playing freshman or varsity football, and in line with the chapter's policy all are engaged in some school activity. Since pledging, Bud Rebeck and Bill Cooke have been elected president and vice-president, respectively, of the freshman class.

In football we have a record of seven wins and one loss in intramural competition. Ten men are working out for our cross-country team.

New rugs and lighting fixtures have been procured for the house and our lawn has been



replanted. Numerous informal parties have been held, especially after our football games. We have two formal affairs slated for this semester, one of these is a tri-chapter dance with the Colorado Alpha and Beta Chapters on November 12, at the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver; the other is our pledge formal which will be held in January.

Homecoming was held October 1 in order to correspond with the diamond jubilee of the Colorado School of Mines. Over 100 alumni were back for the celebration, including several of our charter members who had not met since their graduation. The house won the homecoming float. Seven Sig Eps helped our team defeat South Dakota School of Mines. Varsity players are Bob Harkey, end; Max Settlemyre, end; Bill Johnston, end; Ed Gaulke, quarterback; Wally McGregor, halfback; Drexel Lee, halfback; and Ronny Betherum, fullback.

—VANCE DRISCOLL

### **Colorado State**

The active chapter stands at 52, the pledge class at 42. A deep-freeze locker was recently purchased. The chapter is paying for the licenses for those hunters who donated to the house the deer and elk they shoot.

Bob Hainlen, now playing pro football with the Wilmington, Del., Clippers, plans to return to his studies here for the winter and spring quarters.

The chapter has entered the Philip Morris contest for a new TV set. —R. B. MEYERS

### **Cornell**

Our fall rushing program gained for us 12 new pledges.

October 9 initiates: Dwight W. Bais, Eggersville; Richard M. Bosshardt, Swarthmore, Pa.; Herbert D. Brewer, Oneida; Bruce R. Campbell, Larchmont; Sydney Chayes, Bayonne, N.J.; Robert J. Eberhart, Downingtown, Pa.; Thomas Federick, Rome; James T. Jerome, Syracuse; Glenn E. Kverim, Scotia; Thurl A. Merritt, Newburgh; John W. Moyer, Lyons Falls; Charles J. Mund, Rochelle Park, N.J.; James D. Petlock, Orchard Park; Jay R. Robinson, Scotia; Thomas M. Sedgwick, Newark; Joseph F. Slisz, Jr., Buffalo; Robert E. Titus, Rochester; Richard Wagner, New York; Richard D. Williamson, Wilbraham, Mass.

House strength totals 74, composed of 61 actives, 12 new pledges, and one man who was pledged late in the spring term.

Our fall social calendar included a post-game cocktail party and evening victrola dance after every home football game, a pledge formal dance in December, the annual Faculty-Student milk punch party, and several beer parties on the average of twice a month. Our Homecoming after the Princeton game, October 22,



BMOC Hank Barnes, Dartmouth.

featured a cocktail party after the game and an open dinner at the house, followed by a beer party and dance, also in the house. At that time we were glad to welcome back 26 alumni, most of whom stayed at the house during the weekend.

As this is written, we look forward to a full season of intramural competition. Thus far, touch football is the only intramural sport in season.

—DONALD P. REYNOLDS

### **Dartmouth**

Thirty-four members reassembled in September with Alan Mitchell, president, Parton Keese, vice-president, Andy McClary, recording secretary, Hank Barnes, corresponding secretary, Jim Stevens, treasurer, and Frank Johnson, historian.

An intensive program of improving our house saw the interior being completely redecorated with modern furniture. The old fireplace was taken out, and a much larger one is being built. The floors have been sanded and a complete new paint job has been given to the walls. The brothers have done nearly all of this work themselves. The outside of the house has also been the scene of much activity. In the rear we have planted a lawn and constructed a fence. Later on we plan to cover part of the back yard with flagstones and to construct an outside fireplace so that we will be able to have barbecues and other activities in the spring.

Rushing was held during the second week of October. We were under somewhat of a handicap then due to the remodeling of the house,



but we pledged nine men and expect to pledge others later.

In scholastic competition covering the previous semester we won second place out of 22 fraternities on campus. Dick Maloy won the Philo Sherman Bennett award for his thesis in government.

One of the first activities of the house will be to run a Boy Scout troop in Norwich, Vt. Lectures and instruction will be given by those brothers familiar with scouting activities. Occasionally they will lead field trips. The program is under the leadership of Jerry Staton.

Aram Chorebanian recently scored a notable success in a play given by the Dartmouth Players.

Our social activities got under way with two informal cocktail parties given after the first two home football games. Plans which will feature a hayride are under way for Homecoming Weekend over November 11 and 12.

Captained by Part Keese, the intramural football team has lost its first two games.

—FRANK J. JOHNSON

### Davidson

Davidson college just passed through its trying Homecoming ordeal on October 21, 22, and 23 with a football game with the University of Richmond, and two Blue Barron Dances in the new Davidson gymnasium. N.C. Epsilon had a reunion at that time with a 3:00 A.M. breakfast on Saturday morning at the SPE house and an informal banquet at the Ship Ahoy restaurant in Charlotte. Gus Travis was guest speaker at the banquet and was introduced by our own Melvyn Sipe. About 20 alumni came up for the big week-end.

Plans were launched for redecorating the house with laying a new rug and installing a telephone and coke vendor. A new edition to the trophy shelf is a 1948-49 interfraternity scholarship cup.

Bill McNeely and Marshall Taylor, two sophomores from Statesville, N.C. and Jacksonville, Fla., respectively, were initiated October 5. We pledged 11 men during fall rush week.

Gil Humphries, Melvyn Sipe, and Ed Coffin are three contributions from N.C. Epsilon to the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra. Six brothers are members of the Davidson Concert Band and two of the Male Chorus.

Restrictions concerning cars on the Davidson campus are off for a trial season.

—RAMON HART

### Davis & Elkins

"The Keyhole" is the name of our nearly completed fraternity lodge, which has the shape of a keyhole. In the very near future we hope to see the remodeled bowling alley take first place among the other fraternity buildings

on this campus. No living facilities are allowed.

In the rushing competition, on October 23, 30 out of 34 rushees were pledged.

We are in the midst of the intramural football contest. Our bowling team is registered with the American Bowling Congress.

The Sig Ep chapter at Bradley is due thanks for giving us the idea for our Homecoming float.

Our first major social function will be our Black and White Formal November 26; the second major event will take place in the spring and will be the Queen of Hearts Ball.

On October 12, Chata Ingram, who was pinned by Bill Carr, was serenaded at her dormitory. She received the usual dozen roses.

—WILLIAM C. ROTH

### Delaware

This term we have a membership of 44 actives and 6 pledges.

Initiated this term: Richard Stoeffel, the 557th member to be initiated by the chapter.

Scholarship Chairman Richard Diver, reports that the house has risen from seventh to a tie for third place in academic standing on campus. This committee has initiated a plan by which the parents of brothers are notified as to their index and standing.

For the second consecutive term William Groetzinger has been awarded the chapter's honor plaque for the brother with the highest average. Bill has been pledged to Tau Beta Pi. Les Riggs (news editor), Roger Browning, Harry Stringer, Richard Tyler (feature staff), and Arthur Grier (fraternity representative) are active in the publication of the U. of D. weekly, the *Review*. Brother Robert Burk has been editor of Delaware's literary magazine, the *Cauldron*. Other literary contributions by brothers will come from the *Delalphan's* editor, Jack Fossett, and managers Joe Miller and Bob Schlenzig.

As a result a campus-wide elections, campus affairs will be guided by Wray Hushebeck, Joe Bradley, and Wayne Pollari, who are president, treasurer, and social chairman, respectively, of the Student Government Association. Hushebeck was instrumental in the establishment of a new Student Union at the U. of D. John Buechele as president of the sophomore class is guiding the enforcement of "Freshman Rules" in our Student Court. Under the leadership of house manager Herb Zachow and assistant Dave Rayner, the house has been thoroughly cleaned by all the brothers. The board of directors has given us new lamps, shades, and wastebaskets.

The varsity football team is managed by Richard MacIver, Wayne Pollari, and Glenn Wright, and supported by Robert Burk, starting defensive right tackle, William Groetzinger, starting offensive right guard, William Shockley,

quarterback, and Harry Stringer, defensive left end. Angelo Cataldi and Arthur Grier are on the varsity soccer squad; Tom Baylis reports to the cross-country team. Bruce Warren manages the varsity wrestling team. Through the use of a campus loud speaker Rex Kaiser has stepped up campus interest in these fall contests.

The chapter now has a 13-game winning streak in interfraternity touch football. R. Stoeffel, J. Lingo, T. Baylis, D. Huston (captain), R. Tyler and G. Wolfe complete the defensive platoon; while T. Baylis, J. Baldwin, J. Levis (coach), J. Lingo, R. DeFiore, and D. Huston, form the offensive platoon. Substitutes are R. Gesell, A. Cataldi, R. Browning, and Paul and Richard DiSabatino.

—R. ALAN GRAVES

## Denver

Pledged (October 3): Jim Beaver, Denver; Denis Brown, Mansfield, Minn.; Bill Burkhardt, Denver; Bill Clark, Denver; Bud Clement, Paducah, Ky.; Bill Coleman, Denver; Stan Davies, Denver; Jim Fields, Paducah, Ky.; Jim Fugate, Denver; Dick Henke, Rock Island, Ill.; John Lafferty, Philadelphia, Pa.; Henry Switzer, Denver; Bob Urbana, Denver; Charles Watt, Denver; and Dean West, La Junta. Rush chairman Jerry Ryan is to be commended.

Homecoming has just ended here at Denver, and the Sig Eps walked away with a first place in every activity but one. Pledge Kenny Caldwell is the proud possessor of two first-place cups, one for having the longest beard, the other for the best costume. He was also instrumental in the construction of our fine float. Pledge Bill Burkhardt was in charge of house decorations which took another first place. The Sig Eps will receive a plaque for over-all participation in homecoming activities.

On November 12, the combined chapters of Colorado Alpha, Colorado Beta, and Colorado Delta will hold a fall formal at the Brown Palace Hotel here in Denver. This is the first time in many a year that the Colorado chapters have held a combined dance. All alumni who have not heard of this dance and wish to attend are urged to contact their nearest Sig Ep Chapter for further details. The Mothers' Club is going to sponsor a dinner-dance on December 3, which is being given to raise money to purchase a piano for our new house. Ticket sales will not be limited to Sig Eps, but will be sold to the general public to help raise the needed money.

Preliminary plans are being made for a wing to be added to the house. Many of the active members and pledges have already each pledged \$10 to get the ball rolling.

We have two candidates in the coming class elections. Pledge Bill Coleman is up for Fresh-

man Class president in the School of Engineering, and Don Henke is a candidate for the presidency of the Junior Class in School of Commerce.

An election was held recently to fill chapter offices which have been vacant. Dick Russell and Ned Mohr were elected marshals, Jim Clark is guard, and Dave Cantrill is corresponding secretary. John Chapin was appointed social chairman following the resignation of Wally Switzer, and Al Sibrell will replace Jerry Ryan as rush chairman.

Touch football is the only intramural activity which is underway at the present. Thus far we have won one and dropped two.

—DON HENKE

## Drury

Missouri Delta opened the year with 28 actives and 2 pledges; 15 additional men were pledged during rushing to bring her manpower to 45.

Much has happened since our charter was granted last May. Ralph Maledy was elected vice-president to replace Sammy King, who transferred to Harvard, and Jerry Peters now occupies the post of historian, replacing John Sherman.

Foremost among the chapter's accomplishments was the acquisition of a new house (picture is printed elsewhere), located at 1035 North Jefferson Avenue, one block from the campus, and having accommodations for 17 men. Much time went into remodeling the third floor.

Rushing, just completed, ended in pledging 15 men. The season opened with a stag party, followed by a smoker at the chapter house, and ended in a pledging banquet at the Colonial Hotel. Coupled with the formal plan of rushing was a program of getting the Sig Eps better known on campus.

Social activities began with an open house on October 2. Over 200 students, faculty, and guests, attended. Scheduled next was a hayride, which, due to rain, turned into an informal house party featuring dancing, cards, and refreshments. At present, the social committee is working on a national Founders' Day banquet.

The football team has played one game, losing to Independents 14-12.

Bob Tiernan and Ralph Maledy attended the Conclave in Chicago. They brought back much helpful information, particularly concerning national-to-local relationships.

District Governor W. E. Rogers spent several days with us helping plan activities for the coming year.

The Sig Eps have acquired a dog as mascot. The mutt, of undetermined breeds, is called "Bourbon."

—DAVE MOODY

## Duke

Our first project was redecorating our chapter rooms. Besides a new coat of paint, the furniture was partially replaced, and the room modernized.

Homecoming weekend was October 21 and 22. After the football game we had an open-house for alumni, members and their dates, parents, and friends, followed by a banquet at the Jefferson Cafeteria in Durham. Besides a cabin party and a stag party already held, we are planning more of the same in the future as well as another banquet and dinner dance.

Formal rushing at Duke is not held until the spring semester, but starting next month, there will be a series of get-acquainted open-houses for freshmen.

The following three men are scheduled for initiation next week: Vern D. Calloway, Zaro E. Foster, and W. Arthur Judd.

—JIM WARE

## Florida

Our present strength now stands at 80 members, 45 pledges, and one housemother.

Homecoming October 22 began spectacularly with the presentation of a magnificent console television set by Alumnus J. G. Hughes, which established another Sig Ep first on this campus. In anticipation of the huge crowds that annually participate in the seasonal activities H. Eason and W. Zeuch sponsored a drive to enlarge the patio behind the house and completed it in time. The alumni meeting resulted in the election of T. Lyle, president; R. Turlington, vice-president; J. Reeves, treasurer; and J. Livingston, secretary.

Through the intricacies of campus politics, Bob Busse landed in the all-important post of president of the junior class. Wayne Sargent, who is on the school executive council, was promoted to the highest post available in the Military Department, that of Colonel of the Ground Forces of the R.O.T.C., and also president of Scabbard and Blade.

The chapter voices all thanks to Huber C. Hurst for his faithful 25 year service as treasurer of the alumni association.

—F. PACHECO

## Florida Southern

Our open-house and dance which celebrated our birthday November 1, also was the first social function sponsored by Sig Ep on Florida Southern's campus. Richard Friedbacher, social chairman, made the plans.

Emma Lee Weathersby has been chosen Sweetheart for the year.

We have as our faculty adviser Dr. Raymond Sears, Ohio Wesleyan, '31, bringing the



Florida Gamma gallantly prepares an entry for Homecoming float competition.

total of Sig Eps on the faculty to three. The others are Dr. Redd and Prof. Behrman.

—WILLIAM J. HOFFSES

## George Washington

The D. C. Alpha house remained open all summer with about 11 men. Some work was done on the exterior and interior to have it fresh for the fall rush program. We plan to have the new fall pledges renovate the basement and install a bar and a game room.

Herb Taylor is rush chairman. G. W. rushing season was opened by an address by Judge Frank Myers, chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference.

William Kooiman, Jr., from Montana, was initiated recently at a chapter meeting.

D. C. Alpha has a football team composed solely of "60 minute" men.

Bill Whittemore has been appointed by the administration to the Student Life Committee. At a recent election, Bill Hunley and Herb Taylor were chosen president and vice-president, respectively, of the chapter. John Wilkinson has been appointed bar manager and social chairman. Tom Hynes, past president of the chapter, is home in Maine due to sickness.

—LEWIS C. CASSIDY

## Georgia Tech

The chapter recently aided Orville Harrington, Alabama Alpha, in putting over an alumni dinner which started the ball rolling toward an Atlanta Alumni Chapter.

Georgia Alpha pledged 14 men this quarter.

House improvements: the living-room and kitchen were painted and the basement enhanced considerably by the addition of wall-board, paint, and a lot of hard work. We have 18 men living in.

New additions to the trophy case for '49: the I.F.C. softball and basketball awards.

—GORDON M. ALBURY, JR.

## Illinois

Illinois Alpha has pledged 22 men this fall, among them some promising athletes. Nearly



One of Sig Epdom's most active District Governors, W. E. Rogers, poses with Illinois members: Bob Dunn (president), Don Sunderlage, and Richard Rodgers.

all of the pledges are Illinois state residents, the only exceptions being John Heinen, of Patterson, N.J., and Jim Ramsey, of Pikeville, Ky. Whitey, a senior, is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and of the Newman Club.

Of the Illinois residents, four are from Chicago: Sam Angelopoulos, who has been selected to take part in the annual Stunt Show, and is a member of the university Social Committee; Lynn Faris, a basketball man; Charles Kinsey, studying in the Division of Special Services; and Dick Wilson, ex-Navy night-fighter pilot. Dick Wulfert, member of Dolphins swimming club and of the Marketing Club, is active in campus party politics, and hails from Park Ridge, Chicago suburb. From neighboring Cicero come Harold Fritz and Walter Zaleski. Walt is a sub-chairman of the Illini Union committee sponsoring weekly Friday night dances. Two of the new pledges are from Yorkville: Wayne Breese (Glee Club member) and Bill Beck, while Rockford sends three: Bob Brogren, Larry Larson, and Wesley Weisland.

Bill Wilcox is a Rochelle man, going out for water polo, handball, and track, in addition to taking part in Stunt Show. Loren Tate is from Monticello, is out for basketball, and spends a good deal of time on the university annual, *Illio*. Tony Pailleron's home town is Aurora, his course engineering. Dick Read is a wrestler, football man, and a member of Scabbard and Blade. In Illini Theatre Guild's stage management crew is George Hoskinson, of Kankakee, who also belongs to the university Glider Club.

Six of the men were taken from informal rushing. In addition to Faris, Ramsey, and Wilson, mentioned above are Howard Spreser, of Taylorville; Ron Ellis, of Amboy; and Jerry Witt, of Champaign (the only local pledge).

The group has been carrying out an active well-rounded social program under social chairman Harry Fritz. Zaleski was elected pledge president, Tate vice-president, and Wulfert secretary, with Heinen serving as sergeant-at-arms.

Coming up on their agenda is the annual pajama race, for which tryouts are already being held, and the pledges-versus-actives football game. The actives have some well-known football names in their ranks, but the pledges show some promising men, such as Brogren, Tate, Ramsey, and Larsen. —DON SUNDERLAGE

## Illinois Tech

Our social calendar was opened by the second annual "Open Roast." The rushing program ended with our new pledge class the largest on campus: Charles Barton, Charles Bofferding, Jr., Joe Catterini, Bob Daniels, Don Krebes, Clarence Larson, Louis Larssonneur, Greg Loots, Dick Maglia, Mike Morris, Vincent Parks, Tony Pukas, Don Plefka, Ted Rigas, Don Snipes, Dave Sullivan, Dennis Taillon, Dick Wallberg, Dick Wardell, Bob Wendt.

The interfraternity football team is off with one win and one loss. Our golf team placed fourth in a recent meet. Basketball starts in a few weeks.

We now have eight men living in and a total membership of 39 actives and 22 pledges.

## Indiana

As we start into our third autumn at Indiana, chapter strength numbers 85 men, 23 of whom are pledges. Our chapter house is supplemented by two annexes, both located within two blocks of the house.

On September 18, Jack Garinger, Herb Butler, Joe Eikenberry, Warren Weiss, Jim Orr, Don Congrum, and Jack Van Kirk were initiated and Jack Swanson, from Monmouth, affiliated.

New pledges: Lee Christianson, Dan Tudor, Gordon Ulhe, Dick Clark, George Daicoff, George Deeter, Don Fischel, John Graham, Virgil Hagy, Dick Edsall, Walt Kiracoff, Warren Pinkerman, Carl Purcell, Bob Schloss, Homer Sisson, Dan Wyant, Ken Zuver, Bill Smith, Al Allard, Dick Morry, John Davis, Paul Vladika, Ray Oster, and Bob Averitt.

The Philip Morris drive is on again. This time we want a radio-phonograph to supplement our television set.

The house grade average rose again, this time to 1.46. The actives hit 1.51.

Dad's Day was held October 22. The Mothers and Fathers watched Indiana trounce Pittsburgh on Saturday then enjoyed Sunday dinner at the house. —BOB VOSS

## Iowa

On September 6, Iowa Gamma returned in full force to spend a week of painting, repairing, and generally cleaning up before rushing. As to rushing, we took only 11 men, as follows: Bill Bridges, Chicago; Darrell Grott, Sioux City;



Ed Eaton, Colfax; Herb Emerich, Emmitsberg; Nick Kasos, Sioux City; Quinton "Bud" Kaiser-shot, Milwaukee; Dick Labond, Evanston, Ill.; Bob Ojama, Iowa City; Jim Ranson, Des Moines; Jack Sievers, Arlington, Va.; and Jim Shoaf, Grindstone, Pa.

Dick Labond acquired national fame after breaking the National AAU-yard freestyle swimming record set 27 years ago by Johnny Weismuller. Dick will not be eligible for Big Ten competition until next year, however, he plans on entering several AAU meets this year. We have three football players among the pledges also. Jack Sievers is a big husky tackle on the freshman football squad. Freshman football coach Leonard Raffensperger, Iowa Gamman, '26, says Jack is the most prospective line-man on the frosh team. Bud Kaisershot and Jim Shoaf have shown their power on the gridiron in past years. Jim has been stuck on the bench so far this season as a result of a knee injury. Bud was with us a couple of years ago in 1947. That year he made a name for himself as a halfback. He was forced to leave school for a year. He has been switched to defensive end.

Actives on the varsity squad are Frank Heldt and Larry Willimack.

October 19, we initiated Frank Heldt and Joe Campbell. This brings our active membership to 46. We have a total house membership of 59 of whom 46 are actives and 13 pledges.

Homecoming saw 30 or more alumni back, many of whom hadn't been back for over 15 years. Iowa had its first homecoming parade this year. The theme of our float was "Let's Flush Indiana Royally." Ours was the only float pictured on the front page of both the Iowa City paper and the University paper the next morning.

Chapter president Leroy Phelps will represent the University of Iowa at the National Interfraternity Conference in Washington, D.C., during Thanksgiving vacation.

Intramurals: Due to injuries to a couple of our star players we lost out in touch football. In volleyball, we have trounced all opponents thus far.

—UNSIGNÉD

## Iowa State

On September 12, Iowa Beta men returned for fall rush. Two days were devoted to putting the house in topnotch condition before the freshmen arrived.

Pledge class roll: Harry Kiliper, Fort Dodge; Harold Rhodes, Fort Dodge; Charles Hovey, Scarsdale, N.Y.; Louis Prey, Fort Dodge; Jack Dunlap, Ames; Sam Long, Ottumwa; Clare Russe, Marshalltown; Roger Young, Rochester, Minn.; Kenny Uhl, Ames; Richard Baurele, Carroll; John Gamble, Binghamton, N.Y.; Jerry Ivy, Aitken, Minn.; and Robert Mekemson, Lee

Diton, Richard Harriman, all of Fort Madison, Iowa. Also Jerry Bockelman, Britt; Richard Latham and Philip Brunk of Ottumwa; Wayne Cummings, Winfield; and Donald Richmond, Armstrong.

Initiated (October 13): Eldon H. Hovey, Robert C. Adam, Joseph R. Terry, Roland "Sandy" Behm, James D. Murphy, Robert A. Merriam, John K. Scott, Robert W. Dowell, Donald E. Gregson, C. Clifton Templeman, Wayne A. Danker, John S. Guldner, Robert J. Pooley, R. Keith Cummings, Robert A. Barnes. Chapter strength stands at 50 actives and 20 in the pledge class.

An extensive redecorating program was completed this summer through the aid of the alumni. The main lounge was refurnished, including a new 18 x 32 rug. The rug is grass green, while the davenport and chairs are red and gray. Blonde maple occasional chairs and a large round mahogany coffee table completed the color scheme. The entrance halls and stairways were painted green.

Homecoming was October 15. Among those returning: Walt Hammond, '48, now with Trane and Co., La Crosse, Wis.; Dick Minard, '49, Caterpillar, Peoria; Bill Rowland, '48; Ivan Taylor, '47; and District Governor, E. E. Axthelm. A party was held following the game in which Iowa State beat Kansas State, 25-21.

A publication, *The History of Fraternities and Sororities of Iowa State*, has just been released. It was originated in 1947 by Walt Hammond.

—TED C. GILLES

## Iowa Wesleyan

Thirty men pledged, bringing the total to 62 men: Donald Ketcham, Robert Noonan, Donald Foley, John Payne, Dale Gossage, Ross Davisson, Robert Merritt, Jim Ryan, Kenneth Dye, Stanley Clark, John Caldwell, Russ Carlson, Tom Shoop, Harvey Condon, Jack Emmert, Kenneth Mode, Clifford Brees, Robert Aden, Lennie Aldeen, Robert Kranson, Roger Wymore, Joseph Rupp, Ronald Sweeney, Tom Hilbrant, Don Moxley, Bill Stewart, Bill Matthews, Robert Hacke, Don Booz, and Darrell Conner.

We recently initiated 7 men: Donald Asby, Ralph Johnson, Forrest Cole, Don Smith, Wally Houts, Jack Morgan, and Richard Gessling.

Seventeen men from the Sig Ep house grace the ranks of the Iowa Wesleyan football team. Nine of these men are regulars having started the Homecoming game October 22. Previous to the Homecoming game, "Boom Night" was held in which the various sororities and fraternities on the campus competed in a "skit" contest. Iowa Alpha received second place in this contest and second on float decorations.

Iowa Alpha is proud to announce that the scholarship cup is again gracing the mantle of our home.





Kansas Betans and dates at rodeo party.

Charles Steen, president, was picked by *Qui Est*, honorary women's fraternity, as the big wheel of the campus. Fred Nydle, historian, was named little wheel. Fred Jacobeit was honored in campus *Who's Who*.

We have a new housemother, Mrs. Emma Schwartz, of Burlington, Iowa.

—FRED NYDLE

### Johns Hopkins

The chapter interrupted rush season to hold a Halloween party. Rushing will not conclude until this report has gone to press.

We are grateful to the Mothers' Club for such improvements as new furniture, kitchen equipment, and venetian blinds. Jack Tauber and Rex Miller were in charge of house improvements.

The social calendar provides for a banquet-formal December 3 in the Chesapeake Lounge of Baltimore's Emerson Hotel; Joe Castelano is making arrangements.

On the athletic front, Bill Nichols and Franny Dewberry are varsity footballers.

Walt Doeller, former comptroller, succeeds Gilbert Guido as president, who resigned in October due to a heavy academic schedule.

—UNSIGNED

### Kansas

Kansas Gamma pledged 21 men: Jack Carby, Lawrence; Clarence Chambers, Kansas City, Mo.; Charles Coberly, Hutchinson; Jack Cordell, Bartlesville, Okla.; John Crawford, Kansas City, Mo.; Gene Dagel, Wichita; Robert Davis, Kansas City, Mo.; Lou DeLuna, Kansas City, Mo.; Don Elliot, Hutchinson; Harold England, Halstead; Doug Fenity, Topeka; Kale Gentry, Clay Center; Rex Hubbard, Wichita; John Kelly, Kansas City, Mo.; Phil Loevenguth, Wichita; Skip Lucas, Topeka; Larry Manweiler, Hoisington; Clark Merriman, Topeka; Jim Moorhead, Atchison; Robert Pechin, Wichita; Joe Scudder, Neodesha; Darl Spencer, Akron, Ohio; Vernon Sutton, Wichita; Kenneth Whittemore, Kansas City, Mo.; Max Wilbur, Carthage, Mo.; Ben Stevens, Kansas City, Mo.; Jim Hall, Kansas City, Mo.; Bill Christie, Kansas City, Mo. The total chapter membership is about 95.

Four varsity Sig Eps returned to the grid-

iron: Carl Ellis, Carl Sandefur, Arnold Stricker, and Dick Gilman. At crucial moments Arnold Stricker has been on the receiving end of a number of passes. During the Oklahoma A. & M. game Carl Ellis ran an 81-yard dash for a Kansas touchdown. Dick Gilman has been throwing lightning-like passes which have brought about many T.D.'s.

A great deal of work headed by Todd Johnson has been accomplished on the lawn. A new drainage tile has been installed, and flowers have been ordered for next spring. Lights have been installed at two points along the walk to illuminate it at night.

The pledges held their annual pledge sneak or "walkout" the weekend of October 15. After leaving the chapter house in a conglomerated array, they went to Topeka for the weekend.

Kansas Gamma has two teams entered in intramural football. The "A" team has won all of its games but must play one more to win the divisional trophy. The "B" team has lost one game and has two to play.

Bob Monroe from Lake Forest, Kan., was initiated October 9.

October 20, Gus Schmidt (field secretary), President Gene Ryan, Historian Don Glasco, and Alumni Secretary Bill Akright attended an alumni dinner at Kansas City, Mo.

Kansas Gamma entertained some 200 parents and relatives at its biannual parents' day held October 30, at the chapter house. A tea was held in the afternoon and afterwards the mothers' and fathers' clubs met. Entertainment was provided by the pledge glee club.

A formal dinner has been planned for the Founders' Day banquet, Tuesday, November 1. Former Grand President Judge Earle W. Frost of Kansas City will be the speaker. Among those who have been invited are W. E. Rogers, District Governor, former Governor of Kansas Walter A. Huxman, president of the Kansas City Alumni, Harley Schmidt, president of the Wichita Alumni Paul Sutoris, president of the Topeka Alumni Dave Fisher, local founder Boh Hibbs, local founder John Selig, local founder Herbert Steininger, Judge Hugo T. Woodell, Alumni President, George Akright, and Honorary Initiate Newton Benschmidt.

Due to the serious illness of Bob Bell, Jack Scott was elected vice-president for the remainder of the term.

Affiliated: Marvin Humphrey, Oklahoma Beta, and William Van Lew, Kansas Alpha.

The traditional Bowery Brawl has been planned for November 5. The party will be held in the chapter house.

—DON E. GLASCO

### Kansas State

Our first party was the annual western party. Everyone got out their western hats, boots, and

jeans and became ranchers. We decorated our house as a western ranch house. The saloon was located in a corner of the house and served cider. Customers who got out of hand were arrested by sheriff Bob Lewis. To get paroled you had to kiss your girl which kept our jail busy all night.

Bales of hay took the place of sofas in our front room and with the help of corn stalks and branches of leaves gave us a western effect.

We went after our dates with a hayrack after which we came to the house and spent the evening dancing. During intermission we had a musical skit consisting of western songs and jokes.

Our intramural football team is in second place.

We are going ahead on plans for our new house and are planning to begin construction next year. We are taking turns working in the kitchen to save additional money for the house fund.

We painted the entire inside of our present house this year before school started.

Initiated (September 25): Harold F. Means, Jr., John N. Gillam, Jr., Howard M. Hollingsworth, Max A. League, Jim K. Payne, Dick L. Perry, John W. Russell, Joe W. Wagner. New actives were guests at a banquet that evening.

—BOB BROOKOVER

## Kentucky

New officers: Jack Wayman, president; Bill Reese, vice-president; Davis Fields, secretary; Jack Kain, historian; Ed Rankin, guard; Jim Todd and Dan Rawlings, marshals.

New initiates: Harold Black, Jim Carr, Dick Mathis, Bill Hamilton, Wilbur Cox, Jim Todd, Cab Utley, Dan Sullivan, Chesley Holloman, David Lewis, Scotty Griffith, Bill Rice, and Emmett Rogers.

New pledges: Wayne Darnell, Geren Bybee, Jack Denney, Richard Dorsey, Claude Hinton, Harold Hood, Carl Jones, Jim Marvin, Ray Ross, Ralph Shell, Harry Spalding, Jim Walker, and Jess Ed Williams.

Social: October 2, open house; October 8, Homecoming dance; October 22, hayride; December 2, Dream Girl dinner-dance; December 19, Christmas dance; and open houses after all football games.

Scholarship: Paul Scott won the Clifford B. Scott award for 1948-49 with a 2.96 out of a perfect 3 standing for the year. Jim Line, Charles Whaley, and Scott all made perfect grades for the spring term.

Athletics: Jim Line and Roger Day promise to be regulars on this season's Kentucky Wildcat national champion basketball team. In intramural football, Kentucky Alpha's team under the leadership of Woody Fritts has a record of two wins, two losses, and one tie.

—DAVIS FIELDS

## Laurence

Wisconsin Alpha has a total of 45 actives and 34 pledges. Rush week, under the leadership of Jud Eggebrecht and Tom Stienecker, resulted in 30 outstanding men pledged: John Anderson, Robert Bohl, William Botsford, William Bradley, Phil Cook, Niel Davidson, Mark Else, Robert Haummerson, Jerry High, Thomas Keough, Kermit Kundsén, Lawrence Larson, John Murdock, Richard Murphy, Richard Olson, James Patten, Richard Persike, Rudolph Petrovski, Donald Ruppén, James Samter, Richard Sell, William Seymour, James Smith, Alfred Sunby, Robert Temple, Howard Theil, Douglas Thomson, William Totos, Thomas Warren, and James Wilch.

Both pledges and actives were feted at a most excellent pledge banquet given by alumni. We in turn will have the alumni as our guests at a Homecoming luncheon. Over 200 invitations were sent out for this annual affair.

On October 22, we held our fall formal, planned by Social Chairman Spence Potter and his assistant Al Watson.

Sig Eps finished second in interfraternity tennis competition this fall. Cal Chamberlain, chapter president, is in charge of the newly initiated insurance program which covers injuries incurred in interfraternity athletics.

Among the wheels on campus are: Bill Beringer, vice-president of the student body; Art Theil and Jerry Papke, president and secretary, respectively, of the International Relations Club; Spence Potter, secretary of the L Club; Bill Kuenzi, president of the Lutheran Student club; Mart Spaulding, president of the Newman Club; Don Churchill, vice-president of the Student Christian Association; and Dick Olson and Bob Haummerson, president and secretary, respectively, of the resident freshman men on campus.

The Sig Eps, placing first among the fraternities on campus in scholastic averages last June, received a scholarship cup from the Grand Chapter.

—BOB FREDERICK

Al Graves, Jud Stewart, Bob Showberger and Skip Munger of Delaware.



## Lehigh

Initiated (October 3): Gill Seal, Charlie Nicholson, Penny Lee, Phil Sievering, Jack Fleck, and Ed Hobby. Living in the house: 31.

House improvements: The old third floor bathroom is gone. After a month of squirting hot, or cold, water into any face that was foolhardy enough to venture within faucet range, the bathroom finally died of old age. We procured some new fixtures and Don Sanderson, our comptroller, bribed some contractor to install them for us. We are all eagerly awaiting our first peaceful shave. Other house improvements include a rejuvenated heating system and a new cook.

Social events: At this writing the event uppermost in our minds is the coming houseparty weekend, October 28, 29, and 30. On Friday night we swing and sway with Sammy Kaye, and on Saturday Lehigh tackles the N.Y.U. Violets. After the game the house is holding a gypsy party. November 5 Pennsylvania Epsilon is holding its annual Dads' Day party. A banquet and a speaker are planned after the game with Muhlenberg.

Sports: Coach Charlie Woodbury's intramural pigskin charges have looked mighty impressive in besting the Tau Deltis and Alpha Sigs.

Jim Mason, West Virginia Beta, recently paid us a visit during the last Pi Tau Sigma convention held at Lehigh.

—BILL FOX

## Louisville

Manpower: 26 actives, 7 pledges. Initiation for the 7 men was held early in November. A new pledge class of about 20 is expected when msh is over.

Housing: After improvements, we have facilities for eight men to stay at the house. Redecoration of the lower floor is planned as soon as we finish painting.

Intramurals: The chapter got a good start toward defending its football championship by winning its first three games.

Activities: Our Sweetheart Dance is planned for the spring. Frank Gitscluer, J. W. Duke, and Dawson Orman are seeing lots of action on the school football team. Five men have positions on the school paper.

—DAVID VAN DYKE

## Marshall

Active members returning in September were: Ray Colon, Emerson, N.J.; Bob Frum, Williamstown; Ivan Henthorne, Moundville; George Jewell, Valls creek; Nick Komons, Welch; Lawrence Logsdon, Moundville; David McWatters, Welch; Ralph Moore, Portsmouth, Ohio; Hubert Neely Mullens; Dick Newman, Hillsdale, N.J.; Carmel Petrey, Madison; John Raines, Fort Gay; Lester Richard, Munday; Bill Sharrett, Welch; John Stefaney, Jamaica



Marshall's Dick Newman (left) and President Ray Colon flank sweater queen Carol Burton.

Plain, Mass.; Bob Thorton, Pomeroy, Ohio; Terry Turner, Milton; and Pete Young, New Martinsville.

W. Va. Gamma is hot after the interfraternity sports cup. We have collected points thus far in touch football, track, and place-kicking. We are currently tied for third place in touch football standings. Robert Thornton and pledges Dick Wassum and Tom Needham paced our team to a third place in the annual intramural crosscountry. Ivan Henthorne paced us to a win in place-kicking when he booted 14 of 15 through the uprights.

W. Va. Gamma plans an extensive campus program this year. Among the informal events will be a pledge party in January, the annual Greek Spring at which Queen Persephone will be chosen, and a number of informal dances.

There will be a Founders' Day dinner December 2 followed by our Winter Formal, and in May the annual Sweetheart Ball.

Marshall tackled Ohio University in October at Fairfield Stadium and Sig Ep was represented in the Homecoming parade with a float built around the theme stressing defeat of the opponents.

Although we lost several prominent BMOG through graduation our chapter is still well represented in college activities. Lester Richard is senior class representative in the student council. Pete Young is under graduate assistant in the business administration department. George Jewell is assistant sports editor of the *Parthenon*, college newspaper. Nick Komons is sports editor and Harry Spence is office manager of the *Chief Justice*, college annual. Bill Sharrett is vice-president of D-Rho D-Theta, honorary engineering fraternity. Dave McWatters is secretary of the International Relations Club. Harry Spence is a candidate for Eta Mu Phi, honorary retailing fraternity.

Pledge Charles Ayres entered Marshall under the Lee A. Wolford Scholarship Fund.

Our most glamorous pledge is John Cornell of Clarksburg who has the leading male role in the College Theatre presentation *Saturday's Children*. John began as an amateur magician while in junior high school in High Point, N.C. In addition to attaining professional status he was elected vice-president of the junior group of the International Brotherhood of Magicians during their 1947 convention in Pittsburgh.

On the stage his climaxing stunt is severing a spectator's arm. He has presented shows in Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C., and the principal cities of West Virginia. His services were contributed to two war bond drives in Clarksburg during World War II. John was a very close contender for the freshman class presidency here at Marshall.

Five holdover pledges were initiated October 16 at Johnson Memorial Methodist Church: Frank Guidice, South Charleston; Harold Grace, Charleston; Charles Ratchiffe, Coopers; Jack Schrumphf, McMechan; and Harry Spence, Charleston.

New Officers chosen in May were: Ray Colon, president; Bill Sharrett, vice-president; Richard Newman, comptroller; David McWatters, corresponding secretary; Pete Young, pledgemaster. Ralph Moore was recently chosen secretary and Hubert Neely historian.

General college news: Marshall College's new two million dollar Science Hall will be completed early in 1950. Construction has begun on the Huntington field house which is to be completed in March. It will be available to Marshall College and the local public schools for basketball and other events. Plans are being

worked out to purchase three television sets on the campus by the time WSAZ-TV begins operations. The spots are Hodges Hall, men's dorm; Shawkey Student Union, and the Greenhouse, campus recreation hall.

October 21 at the Greenhouse, Marshall College recreation center, W. Va. Gamma selected Carol Burton as Sig Ep Sweater Queen. President Ray Colon in behalf of Sig Ep presented her with a bouquet of red roses and a pullover sweater. Carol was the date of Dick Newman, comptroller. She is a sophomore and a member of Pi Kappa Sigma, national sorority. Music was by Gordon Charles and his orchestra. Chaperons were Dr. Walter H. Perl, professor of German, Mrs. Frances Burdette, housemother at Hodges Hall, men's dormitory, and Miss Alice Dorworth, professor of business.

Sig Ep held a fall smoker October 13 at the Hotel Frederick Ball Room.

Although pledge registration was not complete at the JOURNAL deadline the following men have been formally pledged: Charles Ayres, Clarksburg; John Cornell, Clarksburg; Gus Fotos, Huntington; William Frazer, Fort Gay; Nick J. Komons, Charleston; Lou Limber, Washington, D.C.; Roger McVey, Penns Grove, N.J.; Tom Needham, War; Eric Perry, Huntington; Peter Rozzo, Ashtabula, Ohio; Ernie Soter, Welch; Dick Van Meter, Huntington; Dick Wassum, Bluefield. —HUBERT NEELY

### Massachusetts

The following Sig Eps were elected to Adelpia, senior honor society, last June: Clark Kendall who graduated in June, Robert Leavitt, '50, and Joseph Dillman, '50.

At housewarming October 29, over 1,500 are expected to pass through our new home and to enjoy an evening with us. Other sororities and fraternities are helping us with the entertainment. Harvey Segal is our social chairman. Faculty reception and tea is to be in the afternoon. Many alumni are expected back.

Roland Reidy is editor of the 1950 Yearbook.

Mass. Alpha now has 63 actives, with 44 living in the new 23-room home purchased last June. Work on the house started early in the summer and has continued up to this date. Meals are now being served five days a week. Ralph Pike is steward, and Frank Killduff is house manager.

Our chapter touch football team boasts 2 wins and 2 losses at this date.

Robert Leavitt, president-elect of the senior class, and Walter Cahill, vice-president-elect of the senior class, were sworn into office October 25 by John McAuliff, chief justice of the student judiciary.

Several alumni returned a visit on Homecoming weekend, October 22.



Marshall's man of magic John Cornell.



Leon Perekslis, Lt., U.S.A.A.F., is now in Sherman, Tex., for flight training. He was graduated from here this past summer.

Mass. Alpha sits as a group at all home-foot-ball games, and has found that this creates much spirit and a great deal of organized cheering. Several other fraternities have followed suit.

—WALT CAHILL

### **Miami (Florida)**

The largest rushing program in the history of the University was initiated this season by a smoker sponsored by the Interfraternity Council. Dan McCarty, Florida Alpha, runner-up in the Florida gubernatorial primary last year, greeted prospective pledges and actives with a talk on the "Value of Post-College Fraternal Life."

A successful rush program culminated with the pledging of 23 men. The rushing program was conducted chiefly around three parties, one of which was honored by the presence of Field Secretary Carl O. Petersen.

Housing is being provided for the present by the use of two university dormitory apartments. The University has offered desirably located lots for lease and the eventual erection of campus fraternity houses.

In intramural sports, Sig Ep has entered the touch-football race.

A Homecoming committee led by Doug Baker and Charlie Kehm have planned a float for the Homecoming parade.

Two Affiliates, George Kolias and Bert Sharpless, Florida Alpha and Florida Beta, respectively, have joined Gamma's ranks. Harry Jones, past president, has become the chapter's alumnus with his entry into the University Law School.

—WALTER D. CARLSON

### **Miami (Ohio)**

Ohio Eta Chapter began the new year by preparing its newly acquired house for occupancy. House manager Al Falther, supervised decoration of the interior while the outside was getting a double coat of gleaming white and pine green shutters.

The boarding club which we are eagerly awaiting will begin November 1. A dining-room has been prepared in the house and there is ample room for cooking and service area. A coke machine has been installed. A beautiful hardwood strip scrapbook with large hand-hewn hinges was made by Dick Staley and assembled by Larry Cope.

Ohio Eta, in collaboration with their Pi Kappa Alpha and Zeta Beta Tau neighbors, held a street dance and block party, which was the first major social event on the campus. Music for dancing was provided by the Campus Owls. An open house followed.



Glenn Davis, BMOC at Miami (Ohio).

For our Homecoming decorations a gigantic Miami Redskin was indulging in fisticuffs with an equally huge Ohio U. Bobcat, a crepe paper monster about 35 feet high. The swinging left arm of the Indian hit the pouch of the Bobcat and sent him flying to the ground (by pulley) every 2 or 3 minutes. Gene Chandler was our candidate for Homecoming King. We beat the undefeated Ohio U. team (26-0), but we were even more pleased at the large turnout of our alumni and friends.

On October 14 at midnight, we started to initiate 15 men: Al Augenstein (his dad is a Sig Ep from Ohio Wesleyan), John Young (pledge class president), Joe Flege (pledge secretary), Ken Sanborn, John Dopler, Doug First, Jim Ford, Gene Chandler, Francis Mc Fall (his uncle is our guiding light and a Sig Ep as well as president of our Alumni Corporation), Fred Parker, Dave Gordon, Larry Cope, Neal McCaskey, Jim Dean, and Al Krohn. We now have 44 actives and 18 pledges.

We also pledged 15 new men.

Two distinctive features of our new home are our fire-engine red door (complete with brass knocker) and the Greek letters over the door—made of red neon tubing. We became the first fraternity on campus with such a sign. Mac McFall has also put a stone patio on either side of our front porch so that we may lounge in true fraternity style with ease and comfort. Gene Wszolek, our social chairman, has kept us well supplied with social life to make good use of the house and patios. The house, which is stationed on the largest single lot in Oxford, will soon have a terraced back lawn. An added attraction is a little utility house at the rear of the lot where we keep tools, equipment, and naughty pledges.



Al Augenstein has recently been elected to Kappa Phi Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi, education honoraries. As a whole, the house average was above the campus average with Norm Pentz, Ron Swartz, and Glenn Davis on the several Dean's honor lists, for those with a 3.5 (out of 4.0) average and up.

A masked ball for Halloween was held, and an anniversary ball to celebrate our first year on the Miami campus is in preparation.

Al Loop, circulation manager of the *Miami Student*, oldest college newspaper in the country, has increased the circulation of the paper until it is one of the largest in the mid-west. His work on the Homecoming Special was superior—15,000 copies!

To grace our mantel, the Mother's Club presented us with a beautiful painting.

—GLENN DAVIS and CHUCK PUTICH

## Michigan

Initiated (October 1): Richard Boonstra, David Bratton, William Burkett, Claude Crawford, Daniel D'Addona, Robert Frane, Harry Hillman, Donald Jacques, Richard Martin, Lowell Modlin, William Morris, Bernard Nagelvoort, Harold Niemeyer, Frank Palazzolo, Ross Pfalzgraff, Walter Roth, Robert Schmidt, Glen Spade, Robert Warrilow, Louis Wirbel, Jack Zerull.

Intramurals: Bob Gregory's football team has lost two of its first three games. On October 13, our track team took fifth place in the all-fraternity track meet. Ross Pfalzgraff was individual star with a first in the 440-yard run.

Pledged (October 17): William Graefin, Ross Annatoin, David Vanderzee, Lawrence Nelson, Olaf Haroldson, Thomas Auch, Lawrence Smith, Joseph LaRue, David Gray, Leo Wasserberger, Robert Ohlheiser, Warren Gast, Ken Walsh, Peter Hass, Francis, and Lorne Norton.



Michigan Alpha men do a right lot of fixing on their lawn. Photo by Goff.

George Irving as social chairman has engineered a reunion picnic and our fall square dance at nearby Cleaner's Hall. Harry Hillman, a recent initiate, did a fine job of "calling" at this affair. Homecoming this year was the weekend of the Minnesota game, and was attended by many alumni. The highlight was an autumn soiree at the house October 22.

—CHARLES C. EDEN

## Middlebury

Rushing is being conducted again by a ten-man committee, headed by chapter president Curt Cushman, '50.

Highlight of the fall social program was the annual Sig Ep Circus. Circus costumes, uproarious skits, good refreshments—thanks due to Mike Luke, '50, and his four-man social committee.

As for sports, we're leading the other eight fraternities in touchfootball and have, among those left to play, only one formidable opponent, D. U.

Sig Ep captured the 1948-49 Trophy of Trophies, thereby being —recognized for peak performance in both intramural and varsity sports.

Individual sport honors fell to Irv Meeker, '50, winner for the second consecutive year of the decathlon, competition for which is open to all men.

—RENTON BOND

## Minnesota

Minnesota held its annual Homecoming football game October 29 with Purdue. One of the new events added to this year's Homecoming program was the Northwest movie premiere of *Father Was a Fullback*. Chapter vice-president Steve Hicks was chairman of the show. Sig Eps at Minnesota took part in the balloon display contest in which gas-filled balloons throughout the stadium were released at the kickoff.

Bill Riley, a new pledge, has been put in charge of Sig Eps Homecoming Queen candidate, Mary Ellen Locken (Pi Beta Phi) from Minneapolis.

October 22, a pow-wow was held at Hidden Falls, down by the Mississippi River. The spot is well named because no one could locate the falls. The evening was highlighted by singing and the fact that there were twice as many wieners as buns. Bob Pool and Roger Lee were in charge.

Bob Pool, Dave Birt, Bob Williams, Dick Jacobson, Len Nadasdy, and Phil Youmans, Sig Eps in the Republican Club, have been busy lately on party policies.

Len Nadasdy, chairman of the World Affairs Council, has been holding meetings on world affairs, and also, to bring the subject closer to the students, he has held several open forums.



A Homecoming Queen among queens is Minnesota's Mary Ellen Locken. Pi Beta Phi.

Dave Birt, president of the Minnesota Alpha Chapter, is kept busy with his work in the All-University Congress and the National Student Association.

—ROGER B. LEE

### Miss. State

Mississippi Beta with a membership of 30 came through rush week, which included a dance, barbecue, and chicken fry, to pledge 20 men as follows: George B. Arnold, Ernest Bentley, Devonne Dorman, Gene Douglas, James N. Mitchell, Bluford Moore, Lawrence Mullins, all of Starkville; Whit Lenoire, Robert Nichols, and Bobby Smith all of Aberdeen; Ramon Barlow, Itta Bena; Joe Beckham, Swif-town; Lewis Coalter, Tunica; Lucian Chesteen, Winona; Mac Davis, Vaiden; Billy Dubard, Greenwood; Gordon Grafton, Hughes, Ark.; Robert Harbor, State College; Cecil Warren, Senatobia; Henry C. Waterer, Tchula.

Recent initiates: Carl Long, Jr., Vaiden; James D. Peeples, Starkville; James Palmer, Moselle; James W. Harrison, Magnolia; William D. Neal, Carrollton.

Bill Johnson has been appointed to the dance committee of the college. He is also president of the Colonels Club.

Will Ray Thomas was recently initiated into Scabbard and Blade. Billy W. Harris has been appointed Cadet Lieutenant Colonel on the Regimental Staff of R.O.T.C. William Cowsert was recently initiated into Chi Lambda Rho,

honorary business fraternity. Sam Simmons is doing an excellent job as editor of the *Reveille*, yearbook.

Martha Jo Butts, sponsored by Mississippi Beta, was crowned Homecoming Queen of Mississippi State College at the half-time of the Mississippi State-Baylor football game.

Davis Randle, member of Mississippi State College livestock judging team, was high individual and high man judging cattle in the recent intercollegiate judging contest held at the American Royal in Kansas City, Mo. This judging team is coached by David Pingrey, Iowa Beta, '47, who is now a professor of animal husbandry at this institution.

We are proud to welcome James E. Lipe, Colorado Delta, into our chapter.

—DAVIS RANDLE

### Missouri

Missouri Alpha began the fall term with 29 actives and 36 pledges. Seven pledges were brought in following rush week.

Social chairman Don Fry, began our social season with a series of exchange dinners and informal dances. The fall formal will be held November 12, at the chapter house. Music will be furnished by Paul Cherches' Orchestra.

A Christmas party, scheduled for December 10 for the benefit of the underprivileged children, will be jointly sponsored by the Sig Eps and the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority.

Eleven men were initiated October 21. Robert Cockburn, Thomas Kelly, William McMillan, Edward Johnson, William Marshall, Ralph Mottaz, Edward Rosentengel, Lee Sappington, Francis Webster, James Westbrook, and Gene



Rubba-dub-dub. Bill Amend, Cliff, Marlow, and Bunny Howe find time for play.

McCrory. A steak dinner and a party were given in their honor following the initiation.

—GERALD K. MATHEWS

### Missouri Mines

Initiated (September 18): Cliff Marlow, Hank Andre, Ray Kline, Maury Rausch, Bill Roerman, Tom Lentz, and Fred Boecker. Also added were 15 pledges.

We have two men on the first-string football team, three men on varsity track, and one, Shorty Voiles, starring on the basketball team. We also have men on the *Miner*, the paper, the *Rollamo*, the yearbook, and in Theta Tau and Blue Key, two honorary fraternities, and Tau Beta Pi, honorary scholastic fraternity.

Dick O'Brien, our social chairman, has scheduled a Bowery Brawl November 19. This will be followed by one dance every month.

Sig Ep won the intramural athletic trophy for the summer season and we have three football victories under our belt.

Thanks to our Mothers' Club, we now have chairs for the front porch, and new drapes throughout the house. Mrs. Stone dedicated some money for an illuminated Sig Ep sign for the front of the house, in memory of her son, Marshall Stone, who died two years ago.

Following the Missouri Mines-Washington U. football game several weeks ago, we were guests of Missouri Beta, at a dance given on the campus of Washington U., in St. Louis.

—BOB FLORE

### Muhlenberg

Homecoming weekend found many old grads returning for a buffet luncheon, the football game between Gettysburg and Muhlenberg, and then an informal dance at our house to end the festivities.

Our enrollment this year has pushed Sig Eps into first place on campus with 58 brothers and 17 pledges. The pledges decorated a float for the traditional pajama parade. The front of the fraternity house was also decorated for the big week-end.

Our football team has gotten off to a good start by winning its first two IF-IM games. Herm Micheals and Bob Schiepe are co-captains of the team. To foster closer relationship with Delaware Alpha, our Sig Ep Team will be host to the Delaware Sig Eps October 29, in a touch football classic. The winning team will receive an appropriately decorated ornamental jug bearing the colors of both schools. Twenty-four Delaware brothers have chartered a bus to make the journey.

House committee report: The materials for completing the rumpus-room in our basement have been ordered as well as new furniture for the house. Weekend clean-up parties have painted the outside of the building.

The first edition of our alumni newsletter, the *SPECTATOR*, has been completed and distributed to actives and alumni. Marv Berger and Walt Schray are co-editors and Chuck Morgan and Irv Fry are acting as senior advisers.

—MARV BERGER

### Nebraska

Nebraska Alpha manpower is 51 actives and 34 pledges.

Nearly 50 men are living in the chapter house; this is the maximum. The number ranges between two to three men in each room. Of the 50 men housed, 21 are pledges. The remaining pledges are rooming nearby in private homes.

Many improvements were found as the men returned for the fall term. The first floor was completely redecorated. The walls were repainted and a new carpet was laid in the living-room. All rooms were repainted on second and third levels, and the floors in each room were refinished.

As the football season rolled around, the Sig Eps were listed as varsity candidates.

Preparations are being made for Homecoming November 5, with Kansas University meeting the Cornhuskers on the gridiron. Our plans include a float, besides numerous house decorations.

The spotlight of the early social season was the annual pledge picnic whence the pledges received their first tastes of social life. October 15, the scene changed to the "Comic Canter," the first house party of the year, with everyone dressed as characters in various well-known comic strips.

Six new pledges were added after rush week.

September 26, Curtis Snowden and Keith Cossairt were initiated.

—LEE ALEXANDER

### New Mexico

New Mexico Alpha started the year with 27 returning actives. Eight new men were pledged.

Immediately upon the completion of rushing activities, the brothers started working out a scheme for redecorating the interior of the house. The living-room is now completely redecorated and minor alterations in the structure of our living quarters are being made. Consultations with local business-men and contractors are being carried on with the building of an addition to the house in mind.

Recent trips to out-of-town football games have made the men of New Mexico Alpha aware of the need for expansion of Sigma Phi in the Southwest.

—Unsigned

**N.Y.U.**

The chapter held an open house during Freshman Orientation Week at which time we gave the new freshmen an introduction to fraternity life. Dick Mullaly spoke at the Freshman Orientation program and explained our fraternity and its history to all entering students.

In all we had these two contacts with the neophyte students plus two smokers which were held on October 18 and 25. Ray Roman is rush chairman.

Bob Connors was elected to the post of Junior marshal in the place of Joe Cavataio who has left school.

Initiated (October 10): William Mulroy, Ronald Bozzo, Robert Boulogne, Robert Stoll, Charles Brown, and Norman Lethbridge.

William Nienan, West Virginia Delta, has affiliated with our chapter. Bill was a charter member of West Virginia Delta and president of that chapter. His activity at that school made him president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, and vice-president of the class of '51.

Jim Diamond and Ed Wallett are busy working on the *Commerce Violet*, yearbook.

In celebrating the school's 50th Anniversary, the yearbook will be dedicated to the alumni, the under graduates as well as to those graduating seniors who have made and are making the School of Commerce the best in the country.

Ed Randel now heads the scholarship committee, while Dom Cerrato is co-chairman of the house committee.

President Bob Larsen has been working in the District Attorney's office of greater Manhattan, as a social worker in the Juvenile Department.

Schiefer is spending his weekends in Cornwall, N.Y. where he is building a new house.

—EDWARD K. WALLETT

**North Carolina**

On October 5, the following new pledges were initiated, thereby increasing our total membership to 50 members: James Kent Coward, Sylva; Joseph M. James, Wilmington; and David C. Huntley, Lenoir.

On the eve of the Carolina-Wake Forest football game, N.C. Delta entertained the Wake Forest Chapter at a cabin party. On the day of the game, approximately 200 alumni and other guests attended a buffet luncheon served at the house.

Recent visitors include: Albiun Johnson, Charlotte; Thurman Karrikor, Durham; Cecil Brown, Ashboro; James Nance, Ashboro; George Atkins, Winston-Salem; Joe Jones, Winston-Salem; Kay Winecoff, Concord; Wray Ward, High Point; John Baity, Henderson; and Charles Linville, Winston-Salem.

Repairs which the house has undergone recently are the painting of the house, redecorating of the attic for a party room, and a new carpet for the downstairs front hall.

—STERLYN HENNIS

**North Carolina State**

New pledges: Julian H. Blue, Raeford, John E. Cunningham, Winston-Salem; Lloyd C. Dillon, Thomasville; Jerry K. Fehr, Charlotte; Frank R. Grant, Charlotte; David N. Lonon, Marion; Edward Massenburg, Raleigh; Robert B. Meachem, Raleigh; Harry W. Moser, Raleigh; Fred A. Neil, Greensboro; Bruce Reid, Philadelphia, Pa.; T. E. Ricks, Rocky Mount; Dave Lee Rodgers, Thomasville; Raymond Weir, Winston-Salem; Bradford Wiggins, Wilmington; David Vandle, Charlotte; Cliff Walton, Harrisburg, Pa.; Bill Talbert, Winston-Salem; Allen Maxwell, Charlotte; Stuart Irvin, Aiken, S.C.; Leon Hobbs, Lumberton; Melvin Christy, Kannapolis.

Re-pledged: Charlie Bodwell, Boston, Mass.; Bill James, Aiken, S.C.; Don Powell, Winston-Salem; Bob Prongay, Winston-Salem; Charlie Smith, Wilmington; Jerry Lewis, Wilmington; Tom Jones, Forest City; Jim Vause, LaGrange.

House repairs: This summer, under the guiding hand of our vice-president, Thornton Rose, the wall between the living-room and the front bedroom was knocked out making one large room all the way across the front of the house. As soon as school started, everybody pitched in and painted the walls of this room dark green with the exception of one that was papered with a bamboo design. The woodwork was painted an off-white. At the same time, we also painted the dining room and kitchen white.

Intramurals: So far this year we have won one football game and lost one; also won one volleyball game and lost one.

Cameron Dudley, who was graduated in architecture, is continuing his studies in that field at the Sorbonne in Paris, France.

—DICK MITCHELL

**Norwich**

Manpower: 28 members including a recent initiate of October 17, Royce Strickland. We also have 24 old and 7 new pledges: Harold Seward, Richard Costin, Paul Cunningham, Peter Cuthbert, Walter Bundy, John Quartararo, and William Quinn.

The housing situation remains well in hand with almost completed plans and finances for a large and beautiful room to be annexed at the rear of the present building. This room when finished will represent the combined efforts and resources of the present members and the last two classes of alumni.

At this time we are busy preparing a Home-





Norwich pumpkin party, with Thomsen and Forger photographed with dates.

coming that will be enjoyable to our alumni on October 29. Middlebury is our opponent on that day and the Vermont Beta boys are more than well represented on the squad.

Intramurally we have defeated two fraternities and tied a third, leaving us in possession of second place. On the varsity football team we are represented by seven men.

Vermont Alpha swept the intramural sports trophies as well as the academic ones last year.

The top man in each of the three upper classes wears the Sig Ep heart. Bill Barclay, '50, Ed Perlowski, '51, and Bob Hansen, '52. For Barclay and Perlowski this marks the second time they have achieved this honor.

—MARCELINO LAVIN

### Ohio Northern

In the first few weeks of school, Ohio Alpha men completely redecorated and modernized the first floor. New chairs and tables of chromium steel have been put in the dining-room. Two new suites have been added to the living-room and the entire first floor outfitted in drapes. New rugs have been laid. A new gas furnace has been installed in the basement.

Initiated (October 2): Jack F. Curtis, Zanesville; and Francis Donald Ries, Bernardsville, N.J.

An informal house dance was held September 24, with 40 couples attending. A skit depicting

the life of a freshman at Ohio Northern was given. September 27, Ohio Alpha invited the freshman girls up for a buffet supper.

Homecoming was held October 15, and approximately 50 alumni came back for a hearty reunion. A buffet supper was held Saturday night from whence everybody went to Ohio Northern's homecoming dance.

—C. EUGENE KRETLER

### Ohio State

Our basement has been completely redecorated. It has changed from a large furnace room into a fine recreation room. The new recreation room was completely designed, built and decorated by Don Swales, social chairman, and Jerry Holmes, president. We redecorated the second floor hall, both laboratories, the third floor hall, and each fellow did his own room according to his taste.

We now have 85 actives and pledges, but the house will only accommodate 35 men—therefore, many men are forced to live out of the house.

Our rushing program was successful; we have 31 new pledges this quarter.

The members of the Mothers' Club from Columbus are giving a tea for the mothers of the new pledges at the house around the first of November.

To date we have had two open house parties; one beer party; a large, very successful, pirates party, and a wiener roast. Between now and Christmas there are planned five house parties of various types; Dads' Day open house with dinner and entertainment, and Homecoming celebration, which includes a party with dancing and refreshments, a dinner, and, of course, decoration competition with other Fraternities; our annual Christmas party when we have a house party for chapter members and another party at which it is our custom to give entertainment to some boys and girls from a local orphanage. We try to have a big dinner for them as well as gifts and some kind of outside entertainment. Last year it was a marionnette show.

We have a new housemother, Mrs. Underwood, and also a new mascot, Dude, an 18 months-old Great Dane puppy. He stands about 3 feet high and weighs about 140 pounds.

Housemother Mrs. Underwood, is the wife of alumnus Clair Underwood.

—R. M. ANSON

### Ohio Wesleyan

A party was held August 27 at the Willobee Shore Club for rushees in the Cleveland area; 8 of the 13 guests in attendance were subsequently pledged. Al Braun and Bob Liebold were in charge.

Ohio Epsilon pledged 25 men this fall. This





Oklahoma men and dates photographed during some of Melrose activities.

is the first pledge class containing no veterans since the war. The class is under the leadership of pledgemaster Harry Nest. The pledges are: George Apel, Art Armstrong, Dick Bigler, Bill Chandler, Cliff Cooper, Frank Fisher, Russ Geiger, Dick Henderson, Don Henigson, Chuck Hill, Bob Hull, Dick Jordan, Pat Larry, Jack Lewis, Ken Maltby, Lou Neff, president, Norm Noblet, Bob Pirchner, George Piscitelle, Bill Sheridan, Bill Sherk, Mac Sloan, Bill Smith, Al Steer, Arnold Torke, secretary.

A Sig Ep variety show is to be held December 1 and 2. It is being managed by John Lindeman, and will resemble "Tons of Fun," a show which the chapter presented two years ago, which netted us \$400.

Men elected to honorary fraternities were: Ken Gettelman, Pi Delta Epsilon, journalism; Dave Johnson, Chi Gamma Nu, chemistry, of which Brother Dave Miller is president; and Ed Prell, Pi Mu Epsilon, math; Tom Fredrickson was elected vice-president of Phi Mu Alpha, Music.

Bill Welp, president of Ohio Wesleyan's sophomore class, directed its plans for an all campus dance and carnival October 22.

John Conard was re-elected president shortly after the start of the semester. To assist him will be Al Braun, vice-president; Ken Gettelman, secretary; Bob Reigger, comptroller; Chuck McLarnan, historian; Ralph Spurrier, guard; Bill Welp and Dick Athy, senior and junior marshals, respectively.

—CHUCK McLARNAN

## Oklahoma

**Manpower:** The ranks of Oklahoma Beta have swelled to 99 with the conclusion of rush week; 32 pledges and 67 actives. The complete pledge list is as follows: Irvin Gallaspy, Douglas Laws, Gene Johnson, Paul Sprehe, Chet Bynum, Guy Fuller and Jerry Montgomery, Oklahoma City; Eddie Murray, and Duncan McRae, Tulsa; Russel Swarts, Jr., and Tom Jolly, Carnegie.

Michael Baca, Santa Fe, N.M.; Paul Stanley,

Bartlesville; James J. Hunter, Checotah; Charles Spradlin, Charles Adkins, Don Thoes, Dee Simmons, Robert Fowler and Richard Fowler, Norman; Jimmy Glasgow, Edmond; Eugene Ball, Lawson Logan and Jim Conrad, Muskogee.

Allen Stinnett, Billings; Bob Blanton and Chick Brown, El Reno; Lester Burnett, Hobart; Ed Thompson, Claremore; Joe Knight, Chickasha; Douglas Coffin, Dallas, Tex., and Jack Santee, Skiatook.

**Pledge officers:** Dee Simmons, president; Russel Swarts, Jr., vice-president; Mike Baca, secretary-treasurer; Lawson Logan, junior interfraternity council representative; Joe Knight, song leader; Doug Coffin, social chairman; Don Thoes, Chick Brown and James J. Hunter, sergeant-at-arms.

**New officers:** John Denbo, comptroller; Warren Johnston, social chairman; Ed Ignace, assistant pledgetrainer; and Charles Hughes, scholarship chairman.

**New initiates:** Carey Hardy, Pauls Valley; George Rasley, Indianapolis, Ind.; Charles Sockler, Garber, and E. J. Bonner, Wewoka.

**New affiliates:** Jim Thrasher, graduate student in psychology from New Mexico Alpha; and John Hansen, business junior from Wisconsin Gamma.

**House repairs:** The house at Oklahoma Beta underwent extensive renovation during the summer, including the installation of new Acustone (sound proof) ceilings throughout the entire first floor.

Several new pieces of furniture were added to the living-room and foyer including two leather divans, two leather chairs, a leather hassock, a combination television-radio-phonograph set, desk-dining table with six chairs, and several small pieces of furniture. New card tables and chairs were added to the sun porch.

A special tile was laid in the dining-room and asphalt tile was added to the vestibule and the upstairs halls. The interior of the entire house was given a new coat of paint, and woodwork was refinished and floors revarnished.

October 1 the pledges pulled their annual sneak. After tying up the four members in the house, dumping excelsior all over the first floor, disconnecting the six phones in the house, hiding the silverware, and bringing all the bedding downstairs, the pledges really decided to plague the members by having a moving van pick up all the furniture on first and storing it for the week-end. The pledges then left for a high and hilarious weekend in Wichita, where they had a listening party and blind dates with Sorosis sorority from Wichita University.

The weekend of October 7-9 marked the annual O.U. campus pilgrimage to Big "D" (Dallas) for the Oklahoma-Texas gridiron classic and its related activities, such as the annual Melrose Hotel dinner-dance sponsored by

the Dallas alumni for the men of Oklahoma Beta and Texas Alpha. The party lived up to all advance notices and climaxed a wonderful week-end.

October 15 was Dads' Day at O.U. and Sig Ep fathers turned out in full force, 30 strong. A stag luncheon was held at the chapter house, while the Mothers' Club had a luncheon at the picturesque Copper Kettle restaurant.

We were host to seven brothers from Kansas University who came down to see the O.U.-K.U. ball game on Dads' Day. Among the group was a former Oklahoma Beta man, Marvin Humphrey.

October seems to be national officer visitation month for Oklahoma Beta. Gus Schmidt, field secretary, visited the chapter October 5-8, and Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., honored us with a three-day visit from October 18-21. Brother Hindman was here for Fraternity Emphasis week, an I. F. C. workshop, the purpose of which was to exchange ideas on various phases of fraternity life.

Individual achievement: Eddie Meyer, engineering junior, has been pledged to Tau Beta Pi, engineering honorary; and John Denbo was selected to serve on the Student Conduct Committee.

—EDDIE MEYER

## Oklahoma A & M

November 8 we held the 21st annual Sig Ep Bowery Ball. For weeks prior, to the dance beads were the order of the day. The week before the dance a large sign "The Bowery" was hung from the top of the house and cardboard characters were staked out in the front lawn. An estimated 400 were at the dance, including 8 brothers from Oklahoma Beta and 11 from Oklahoma Gamma.

The old Gym was decorated with a complete false ceiling and false walls painted to depict the inside of a Bowery saloon. All couples were costumed in the dress of the famous Bowery area.

Rush was successful. Oklahoma Alpha pledged 32: Donald L. Bogs, Martin Bonde, Ronald E. Carlson, Keith Casner, Woodrow Cochran, Ronald N. Davis, Joe Glenn, Billy H. Harris, Robert S. Herndon, Jack Holland, Keith R. Howe, Robert C. Hutchinson, Newlin W. Kessler, Carl E. Legg, Glen A. Leonhart, Harold L. Love, William T. McDonald, Jack McKelvey, Robert S. Mathews, Pat H. Miller, Leslie R. Moore, Howard Moss, Jack M. Powell, John H. Ricker, Jerry D. Smith, Thomas L. Stafford, Hugh A. Stone, James A. Ticer, Durrell Treadway, Joel L. Wall, Robert Wall, John Webster.

—BEN F. HARRISON, JR.

## Oregon

About 6:30 P.M. last August 1, fire broke out in the attic of the house, and before the Eugene

Fire Department was able to douse the flames, the third floor was completely gutted. At the time there were about 25, summer students living in; however, when the blaze started, only about six men were around the house. Much of the damage was due not only to fire, but from the water. The estimated damage was about \$25,000; however, the house was fully covered.

Now, while the members are living in the Veterans dormitories, workmen are in the process of rebuilding and remodeling. Jim Snell, president, along with several other members, drew up plans. On the third floor, the main change will be a larger sleeping porch that will accommodate 50 men instead of 44. The entire outside and inside of the house will be re-painted, and many of the rooms will have new study desks, chairs, and wardrobe closets.

Oregon Beta returned to school on September 9 in order to carry on with the traditional rush week. The following men were pledged: Bob Hilton, Klamath Falls; Rod Heestand, Oswego; Ron Johnson, Portland; Bob Gordon, Salem; Alan Hicks, Portland, and Tom Barry, Chicago, Ill. Initiation was held October 9 for Jim Courtright and Sam Wilson.

—MERT MEEKER

## Oregon State

Freshman Week rushing efforts resulted in the pledging of Paul Oldenburg, Don Wimer, Bruce Cottam, Bob Gray, Don White, Greg James, Malcom Putnam, Dave Perry, Doug Lang, Dave Bucy, Dick Goff, Duane Brenne-men, Dick Reichel, Don Young, Jim Rogers, Jerry Brog, Don Ray, and Dick Pedranti.

Pedranti immediately stepped into the campus limelight by being elected Freshman Class president.

Ralph Cheek, Gayl Ness, and Herm Kaiser also came into campus positions of responsibility. Cheek was elected vice-president of Thanes, sophomore service honorary, Ness, a junior, was appointed chairman of Round Table, student religious organization affiliated with the Y.M.C.A. Kaiser heads the Memorial Union publicity staff.

Don Schmit and Rod Johnson have combined musical talents to form a versatile combo which is rapidly gaining popularity. The Schmit-Johnson Combo was featured at the Memorial Union dinner-dance, October 21. Jack Wells was general chairman of the all-campus function, and Elvin Pitney acted as emcee.

C. Warren Hovland, Wisconsin Alpha, has accepted the position of assistant professor of religion at Oregon State.

Bob Young, Bill Reiman, Herm Kaiser, and Ron Kelleher were initiated October 22.

Don Robertson, transfer from Oregon Beta,

was affiliated with Oregon Alpha during the first formal meeting, October 3.

—RON CLARKE

### **Penn**

House improvements: A new fire alarm system was substituted for the old inadequate one. The living-room is adorned with a bright new rug and new drapes. Plans have been laid for the purchasing of a new record player. Our house committee chairman, Bill Schilke, had planted small trees and grass in our front yard.

The University of Pennsylvania football team is well represented by Sig Eps this year. With end Herb Agocs, backs Al Corbo and Bob Harr, guard Al Kunberger, and tackle Ernie Prudente playing their usual fine brands of football, the football Sig Eps have helped Coach George Munger lay his plans for another successful season. Herbie Agocs has played exceptional ball all season. For his tremendous game against Princeton, he was awarded the coveted Maxwell award for being the outstanding lineman of that week. His superb defensive play and his unerring extra point placements paved the way for Penn's 14 to 13 triumph.

Social calendar: Dartmouth game night saw a splendid party arranged by the new social chairman, John Fiscella. Junior Week-end was the high point of the current football season with the Junior Prom and the Navy game followed by a house party. The House Fall Formal will be held after the Army game in November. Alumni Day at the house will have as the general theme "Charley Thompson Day" in honor of our new national president from Penn Delta.

Campus activities: Herb Agocs was elected to the Phi Kappa Beta junior honor society and Bob Mullen was elected to the Friars Senior Honor Society. —JAMES J. KUHLMAN

### **Penn State**

Pennsylvania Eta returned to the campus this fall with 30 actives.

New pledges: Dick Bailey, Jack Dale, Jack Crowe, Bill Douth, Bill Ott, Jimmy Keelan, Roger Von Lunen, Jack Kennedy, Nick Vigilante, Sam Sillaman, Ward Clark, Raymond Slavin, Richard Valentine, and Al. Fulton.

Officers for the current year: President, Dean Kissell; vice-president, Bill Dale; secretary, Harry Savisky; comptroller, Keith Grant; historian, Edward O'Rosky; pledgemaster, Jack Dux; alumni secretary, Parker Tupin; social chairman, Jay Wenrich; I.F.C. representative, William Howell; athletic director, Stanley Townsend.

Penn Eta's seniors placed seventh in a field of 52 fraternity houses here at Penn State. House average as a whole was 1.50.

Our house climaxed a rise in athletic strength

by winning the interfraternity softball league with a record of eight victories and one defeat.

Representing our house on the varsity football squad this year are two promising juniors: Anthony Orsini and George Jacobs. Sig Eps are also very well represented on the fall lacrosse squad with at least three fellows making the varsity in the spring, namely: Paul Raffensperger, Jack Kennedy, and Al Fulton. Other Sig Eps out for fall practice are: Andrew Daneff, Dick Bailey, Dero Mark, and Richard Valentine.

The exterior of the house has been done over in white stucco.

Actives and alumni are preparing for the coming 35th anniversary of the founding of Penn Eta.

Scholastic achievement: Dean's list: Dean Kissell and E. John O'Rosky. Honorary fraternity: Pi Lambda Sigma, pre-legal, E. John O'Rosky. Professional fraternity: Robert Goodman and Don Eggers, Delta Sigma Pi, Commerce and finance. —E. J. O'ROSKY

### **Pitt**

Initiated (October 15): Bill White, Bill Condon, Bill Noxon, Bill Westlund, Don Thomas, Fred Walters, Jim Brooks, Charles Warne, Larry Fountain, and Dave Vetter. This brings the number of actives to 25.

Bill Condon has been appointed by the IFC, and will direct the interfraternity pledge reception.

Bob Peary is on the University appointments committee.

Bob Roboson is chairman of the interfraternity progressive dance to be held after the Pitt-Minnesota game.

The Fraternity was entertained October 17 at a tea dance by the Phi Mus.

Our apartment provides living accommodations for eight men. —HENRY LILLEMÖEN



Officers at Pitt: From left, Bob Peary, Phil Zoeller, Jack Adams, Bill Condon.

## Purdue

There are now 55 men living in the house, 20 of whom are pledges. Recent pledging brings the total pledge class to 26 men. The new pledges are: Jim Gibson, Don Brehm, Jack Liebenthal, Jim Lewis, Lee Schaffer, Julian Taylor, Charles Larson, Bruce Irving, George Kotterman, George England, Walt Viellieu, and Bud Thomson.

House Improvements: The boys painted the downstairs the week before Homecoming.

Activities: The Sig Ep's have done it again. We are in the Varsity Varieties for the third consecutive year. This year we have combined with the Delta Gamma Sorority. The Varieties theme is a historical revue of the past 75 years at Purdue. Buzz Haeger has arranged the songs and music for our act which will be accompanied by pantomime.

Homecoming (October 22): Homecoming saw more than 300 alumni and friends returning to the house. Our homecoming sign almost weathered the severe rain and wind the night before the game. The alumni were entertained by the "Playtonics," our quartet of Buzz Haeger, Bill Cope, Bob Baker, and Tom Armstrong. With the chapter membership approaching the 700 mark, homecomings are getting larger every year.

Activities: Dan Bjorum and Dick Hurley were pledged to Gimlet, the fraternity honorary for outstanding men. Dan also has the distinction of receiving the highest award given on the campus, the "Iron Key." This award is given to the four outstanding people on campus every year. Dan has not only been outstanding in campus work but has inspired the house while serving as president. Warren Klugman has received a John Morse Memorial foundation scholarship. He ranks second in his class in mechanical engineering. Warren has also been pledged to Tau Beta Pi the mechanical engineering honorary.

Ray Schakel and Dick Hurley are warming up for another season of varsity swimming. Ray just pledged Quarterdeck the Naval ROTC honorary.

Bob Coleman pledged SDX, the national journalism fraternity. Bob is night editor of the *Exponent*, the campus newspaper. Leo Sugar and Bob Samsen are playing varsity football. Bob Forbes is on the "B" team and George England, Walt Vielliev, and Bud Thomson are playing freshman ball.

Social: The Quad Dances that gained such favor last year are being continued again with one more fraternity added. It is now the Sig Eps, Phi Gams, AGRs, Lambda Chis, and the Phi Taus. There will be five dances on Saturday nights throughout the year. Each dance will be held in a different house with the Phi Taus holding the first one November 11.

A custom has been started in the house of having a get together every Saturday night there are no conflicts with campus activities. Dancing to records, refreshments, and entertainment by members of the house.

The Christmas Formal will be held on December 17 this year. Alumni are cordially invited.

—THOMAS J. MULLIGAN

## Rensselaer

The fall term found 38 members and 10 pledges returning to their studies. No freshmen can be pledged until after the Thanksgiving recess because of the new local intrafraternity rules but we have pledged three more sophomores. Over 100 freshmen were entertained at an open house. Instead of one large pledge class we intend to have three smaller classes of about ten men, each evenly spaced throughout the year, as we believe that smaller pledge classes provide a more thorough pledge training and enable the members and pledges to become better acquainted.

Recent initiates: Roderick O'Connor, Cohoes; Raymond Loughman, New London, Conn.; and Edward Kriesmer, Fair Lawn, N.J. Ed's brother is John Kriesmer, New York Delta, '48.

"Alumni Come Back Home Day," October 15, was held in conjunction with Rensselaer's 125th Anniversary celebration, October 13-15. The event featured an address by the Canadian Prime Minister St. Laurent, speeches and discussions by leaders in industry on engineering, the dedication of the Institute's new field house to those R.P.I. men who gave their lives in World War II, and the annual football game between R.P.I. and its traditional rival, Union College.

In a colorful ceremony held during half time three black-robed brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon presented a giant wooden screw to the freshman class, losers of the annual grease rush held between the sophomore and freshman classes. The presentation of the screw is a new tradition born last year at Rensselaer through the efforts of New York Delta. Entertainment for all alumni, actives, and guests included an informal party Friday evening and a cocktail party and buffet supper after the football game on Saturday.

The chapter began its annual quest for the Barker Trophy, symbol of interfraternity sports supremacy, by capturing first place in their football league and third place in their horse-shoe league.

A directory of all members of New York Delta is now being compiled as part of the alumni relations program started last year. Plans for the chapter's Golden Heart Ball December 10 at the Troy Country Club are well under way.

—FRED LANE



## Richmond

There are 30 actives and 8 pledges in the chapter. The pledges are: John Chisholm, Stirling Davis, Bill Fergusson, Billy Gatten, Bruce Lundeen, Elija Muzik, Charlie Rutledge, and Frank Skinner. Our prospects numbered 45 at the beginning of the semester, some of whom have been pledged since then and are attending pledge class now. The majority of the prospectives are freshmen and cannot be extended bids until November 19. The average age of this group is 17.

Appointments to campus publications include Walt Preston as editorial associate and weekly columnist on the *Collegian*, campus newspaper, activities editor on the *Web*, U. yearbook; Bob Blackwell, sports editor of the *Collegian*; and Frank Skinner, underclass co-editor of the *Web* and sports reporter on the *Collegian*.

The School of Business Administration has officially started as a new addition of the University of Richmond. On the honor council of the new school are Sig Eps Henry Thompkins and Louis Schuman.

Jack Lyons was named the university band leader for the year. He twirls a mean baton and never misses a flip.

Sig Ep was the first on the campus to name its sponsor, Mildred "Mickey" Crooks. She is the wife of President Carleton Crooks.

The University Board of Trustees meet this month to give the go-ahead signal (we hope!) on the construction of five lodges, including our own. Decision was delayed last June by the Board to await the report of the investigative committee.

The 1948-49 Scott Memorial Key for scholarship was won by Bill Lukhard and will be presented to him at the annual banquet next May. Bill averaged 2.5 for the year despite frequent absences as business manager of the college debate team in one of its finest years of intercollegiate debating. Our own Neil Cline was one of the stars, winning top honors.

The most active member at Virginia Alpha is Tom Howard. Tom is president of the Richmond College Senior Class, comptroller in the chapter and four IFC, president of the Harlequin Club, and in addition, plays in the University Band and vocalizes in the Glee Club.

The Richmond Alumni Chapter highlighted our return to school this fall with an oyster and hotdog roast for the active chapter September 30. We join with them again on November 1 at a banquet to celebrate Founders' Day.

—HENRY B. WARD

## Rutgers

With the initiation of Frank H. Odell October 4, N.J. Beta now numbers 35 actives and



Rutgers workmen Bob Cyphers (left) and Steve Albertelli paint living-room in time for fall rush season.

20 pledges. Dick Koch and Bill Hartley are pledge chairmen this year.

Several improvements were made on the house including purchase of an oil heater to replace our old coal furnace. Under the leadership of house manager Jim Caivano, the whole interior was painted, downstairs floors were sanded and varnished, new plumbing was installed, and other minor changes were made.

The first big social weekend was the Soph Hop weekend November 11 and 12. We danced to the music of Elliot Lawrence and his Orchestra Friday night, watched the Rutgers-N.Y.U. football game Saturday afternoon, and enjoyed a costume party Saturday night. Many of the members started enjoying the weekend early by witnessing a concert given November 10 by Charles Munch and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. June became our new house parents in October.

Mark Perrier was ticket chairman for the Soph Hop.

Tom Guglielmo and Art D'Agostini produced the Harman Trophy display for Homecoming Day.

Sig Ep got off to a good start in the competition for the Keller Trophy, awarded to that living group which accumulates the most points in the yearlong intramural program, comprised of six sports. We won our league in football, defeating Chi Psi 7-0, Theta Chi 7-0, and tying Alpha Sig 6-6. Some of our players are Red O'Dwyer, Ernie Tierney, Harry Sindle, Don Hughes, Danny Welsh, Dick Koch, Bill Hartley, Hank Blaes, Tom Guglielmo, and D. McKechnie



The intramural cross country race was held November 4 with Dave Middleton, Don McKechnie, and Al James heading our harriers.

Harry Sindle is president of the Sailing Club, and Ed Price is president of the honorary band fraternity.

At our first house party informal entertainment was provided by Pledge Dan Welsh and Harold Eckleman who staged a battle of music on our house piano. Pledge Welsh (in purple tights) gave us a few selections in bop and Eckleman defended the Dixieland traditions.

—DAN MARTIN

### **San Diego**

Active membership stands at 45, with 15 pledges. Recent initiates: Milton Costello, Jim Cheshire, Norman Uetter, and Jack Arneson.

Rush activities featured a mountain party and overnight south-of-the-border camp at Rosarito Beach, Mexico.

The chapter lost one member and gained one through the transfer route. Jim Fink, Colorado Alpha, joined us, while we gave up Joe Palm to California Alpha at Berkeley.

—EARL W. SAUNDERS

### **Santa Barbara**

Like many other fraternal organizations at Santa Barbara, this chapter has had to face its housing problems. Now the chapter is situated deep within the residential section of the town and members are requested to tread quietly lest the neighbors take up a hostile attitude. This location is a temporary one, pending the big move out to Goleta, when all of the college will take up its new residence at the vacated Marine Air Station.

Performing a somewhat Herculean feat, the brothers have turned a rather shabby dwelling into a very presentable fraternity house. The address is 1321 Bath Street, and a most sincere invitation to inspect the new abode is extended to any and all brothers who might happen along Santa Barbara way.

Fraternity Sponsor Dean William Ashworth and wife, left Santa Barbara last week for the East. The retiring Dean, who terminated his position as sponsor, had been a sparkplug in organizing this chapter. Replacing Dean Ashworth is Leo Goodman Malamuth, a new instructor in the speech department.

—DON TOOKER

### **Southern California**

California Beta culminated its rushing program with its annual party on Sunday night at one of the night spots in Los Angeles. The program resulted in the pledging of 25 men. Don Wilcomb is pledge master. Assisting him are Jim Lowrey, Ron Wilson, and George Daniels. Heading the pledge class as presi-

dent is Bud Wiss. Jim Close is the vice-president, with Ed Hart as secretary-treasurer.

These men are the fall pledge class of California Beta: Louis Hashwanter, Sam Rowland, Tom Wade, Ed Crell, John Van Dolah, John Secor, Bud Wiss, Bob Williams, Andre Williams, Randy Springer, Bob Richmond, Mal Morris, Bill Miller, Jim Loury, Alden McKelvey, John Jordan, Ed Hart, George Gunter, Elcott Freitas, Roy Freeman, Sparky Farason, Jim Close, Jim Casteel, Elmer Haskins, Ken Hoppe, and John Thompson.

With 70 men clad in tuxedos, walking into St. John's Episcopal Church, for the morning service on September 25, the formal initiation ceremony of California Beta began. Following the service, the actives and initiates-to-be adjourned to the chapter house and the ceremony began.

Following supper at the house, the entire active chapter, in honor of the new initiates, went to Zucca's Opera House where places had been reserved for them. The following were initiated: Glenn Grade, Larry Irwin, Ted Tabah, Herb Boies, Burt Chauncey, Bob Jones, Bob Carpenter, Tom Rosso, Fred Applegate, Alan Duncan, Norm Snider, Bruce Green, Roy Stansberry, Curt Jackson, and Grady Setzler.

California Betans opened defense of their Interfraternity Athletic championship and the basketball championship which was won during the last year, by downing Theta Xi 42-20. The next opponent which was met and sent down to defeat was Pi Kappa Alpha, 35-10. The third game was won by Sig Ep 26-22, with Delta Chi.

Stan Case is manager of our six-man football team.

—AL MONEY

### **Stetson**

Sig Eps here at Stetson started the new school year off by giving an all student party Saturday night October 1. The roller rink at the air base had been decorated by Kellar Davis. Students and faculty enjoyed dancing to a five-piece band.

On October 15 we opened rush season with a rush party at Blue Springs. Several prospective pledges, along with the members and their dates enjoyed an all-day picnic and hay ride. Gus Surprenant is rush chairman.

Initiated October 8: William Tuten, De Land; Theron Jay Owen, De Land; and Earl Davis, Bloomingdale, Ga.

New officers: president, Alex Finch; vice-president, Richard Dungan; secretary, William King; comptroller, Joe Patterson; historian, Robert Curl; guard, Clarence Hughes; senior marshal, Earl Couey; junior marshal, Dave Murray, Rodger Meriwether and Robert Williard will be our IFC representatives. Mother Williard will also serve as our house manager.

We now have about 20 men living in the house, and we hope to increase this number to 40 by the first of the year. Our newly established dining-room is at the present being run by our housemother, but we plan to take it over in January.

—ROBERT CURL

## **Stercus**

Housemother "Mom" Lingner's headquarters is equipped with a beautiful sturdy cast iron sink that should last at least 20 years.

Mort Sullivan, '51, left school to accept a position.

A note to the alumni: you can now come around to the house, and walk up to the third floor without danger of falling back to the second. The stairs have been fixed.

The Kappa Deltas of Hunter College held their annual rush party at our house, for the second year in succession. Wishing to be of service to the ladies, we hope that this does become a tradition with them. A side result of this charming invasion was an industrious picture of pledges and brothers giving the house and furniture a thorough cleaning and repairing before the party took place.

Athletic chairman, Fred Meier, '50, has rounded up teams for the delayed I.F.C. softball playoffs.

—OLIVER J. BARTON

## **Syracuse**

Manpower: New York Alpha is the second largest fraternity on the Syracuse campus with 59 actives and 16 pledges, 7 of whom are due for late fall initiation; 9 spring graduates included: Bob Brethen, Doug Coon, John Fox, Frank Gordnier, John Henry, Pete Juengst, Phil Knauff, Howie Nulse, and Ed Reid.

Fall rushing resulted in the pledging of Russell J. Hansen, Robert B. Koleser, Donald C. Roth, Ronald T. Snell, William G. Robeson, William H. Landis, John C. Curatolo, John Cornell, and Frederick Cull.

Jack Morrissey was recently elected to succeed Verne Hastings upon the latter's resignation as chapter secretary.

Bill Gross replaces Mert Brodie as pledge-master this semester.

Dick King is our new social chairman and is assisted by Doc Schwartz.

House improvements include complete resurfacing of all upstairs halls with rubberized tile floors. The main hall floor is decorated with a large inlaid Sig Ep crest. Various study rooms have been redecorated and new drapes brighten our card room and stair landing.

The David Hall Memorial Game Room will be completed by Christmas.

Al Curson has been initiated into Beta Alpha Psi, national accounting honorary.

Dan McManamy is junior sports editor of the *Syracuse Daily Orange*.

Plans are being made for the traditional Homecoming on Colgate Weekend.

As the varsity football machine rolls along Jim Dragotta keeps up the good work at end in addition to doing most of the punting. Jim Shreve, defensive fullback, also holds the ball on points after TD's for pledge Bobby Koleser. Bob Wilkinson leads cheers from the sidelines.

Capt. Stubby Miller is getting ready to lead the varsity basketball team through a tough schedule. LaVerne Hastings and Al Stuhlmiller are first ten candidates.

Fall crew is dotted with Sig Ep candidates. Gene Kelley starting his fourth year and Bob Wilkinson leading candidate for coxswain. George Marsden and Bob Simpson are other crew aspirants.

Two sophomore pledges, Bob Gerbino and Johnny Haas, are leading contenders for varsity wrestling berths. Gerbino was undefeated last season.

Doc Schwartz and Ted Billings are getting into shape at the swimming pool for the coming season.

A dual platooned intramural football team, coached by Dave Doolittle, is undefeated in three games. They need one more win to take their flight. Offensive line has John Johnson, Bob Shoemaker, and Ted Billings. LaVerne Hastings, Carl Westman, and Al Stuhlmiller are in the backfield with pledge Tom Wilburn on deck. On defensive Jim Skopas, Herb Callahan and Shoemaker in the line. Billings replaces Westman as defensive back, Stuhlmiller and Hastings doing double duty.

Intramural bowling team is undefeated at this writing.

Several Syracuse Sig Eps journeyed to New Brunswick for the Rutgers-Syracuse football game. They enjoyed a fine weekend with the brothers of the New Jersey Beta.

The Sig Ep fall hayride party was followed by other fall social events such as a Sunday afternoon splash party for the boys and their dates at the Y.W.C.A., and a Halloween costume dance.

Plans are being made for a Christmas party in the chapter house for a number of underprivileged children.

—AL DRUM

## **Temple**

When the new semester began at Temple and the men of Pennsylvania Mu assembled at the house, the first week was devoted to making needed improvements in the house. The entire first floor was painted and redecorated and with the new living-room furniture that was purchased last spring, the interior of the

house has taken on a more livable atmosphere. This semester, we have 11 men living in the house with a possibility that one or two more will move in during the semester.

Activities: Bob Nilsson is president of the Temple University Assembly, a member of the R.O.T.C., of the fencing team, and the Temple University Glee Club. Also on the Glee Club are Jordan Spiroff, Randolph Trach, Frank Stoop, and pledge Bob Wright. Charles Brown is vice-president of the IFC. Bill Kirlin and Bill Feige are both starting their fourth year with the renowned Diamond Band. Bill Feige is captain of the color guard. Meric Legnini is editor of the *Owlette*, the student newspaper of the Havertown Unit of Temple. Abe Steele and John Reilly are attending the law school. John is president of the Freshman Class and is also a student counselor.

Varsity athletics: All-American candidate Fred Barlow is the only Sig Ep on the soccer team this year and he is co-captain. Fred, who plays center forward, has scored seven goals in the first four games this season to lead the team to victory in each game.

We have four actives and three pledges on the varsity football team, all of whom are seeing a lot of action under our new coach, Al Kawal. Brit Piez, who is playing his fourth year of varsity football, is the first string offensive center. Jim Smith has been switched from guard to end. He set up our first touchdown against Rutgers with a spectacular catch on the five-yard line. He also has several pass interceptions to his credit on defense. Bill Hewson, also an end, scored the winning touchdown against Rutgers after catching a long pass. Bill also scored on a pass play against Syracuse the following week. Bill Bonsall handles the kicking-off chores and sees a lot of action as defensive quarterback. The pledges on the varsity are Vince Zielinski, Ed Bateman, and Ralph Hansen. Vince is the captain of the team and makes his left tackle post practically impregnable. Ed Bateman is the starting fullback. He has set up several touchdowns and against Bucknell hit pay-dirt himself. Ralph Hansen has been called upon to do most of the punting.

In professional athletics, Doug Young played first base for the Seaford team of the Eastern Shore League this summer. Seaford is one of the Philadelphia Phillie's farm clubs. Wally Hatkevich, graduated last June, is trying out for the Philadelphia Warriors professional basketball team.

Robert Clark was elected vice-president of the chapter upon the resignation of Jim Hartnett.

Homecoming week-end at Temple this year is on November 11 and 12. As is the custom, we plan to decorate the exterior of the house and enter a float.

Also coming up are a barn dance on October 22, a Christmas formal dance in conjunction with Pennsylvania Delta of the University of Pennsylvania on December 16, and a barn dance on January 13. The chapter is going to sponsor a Christmas Party for one of the orphanages in the Philadelphia area. Charles Hayne was chosen to be co-ordinating chairman of the various committees.

In interfraternity athletics, Pennsylvania Mu is defending champion in football, basketball, softball, volleyball, track, and handball. In the cases of volleyball, track and softball, we can retire the trophies if we win the championships in these sports. The football team registered a 9-0 victory in its first game.

—SHEROD M. COOPER, Jr.

## Tennessee

With its famous red doors sporting a brilliant paint job and the main floor of the front house covered by new carpet, Tennessee Alpha swung into the 1949-50 race for new men. Under the capable direction of rush chairman, George Neiderhauser, the chapter completed its rushing by adding 39 new men and 21 carry-overs to its pledge rolls. Pat Hunderwadel is pledge-master for the new group.

Recently initiated: Jack Martin, Nashville; Jim Jones, Centerville. Howard Prince, a transfer from Florida Alpha, became associated with the chapter on October 17.

House improvements: Two new leatherette couches have been added to the Shebeen. The floor of the dining-hall has been recovered with rubber tiling.

Intramurals: Active competition got under way at the start of the fall quarter. John Reneau is director of all the events.

Social calendar: The pledge dance is planned for October 26, with George Nader, social chairman, in charge. It will be held at the Whittle Springs Supper Club, with Bill Lawson's band furnishing the music.

The annual Founders' Day banquet will be held at the S. and W. cafeteria on October 31. Such prominent men as Judge Fred Bibb, criminal court Judge of Knoxville, and District Governor Haynes Barnes will be guest speakers. This dinner is being supervised by Buddy Lusk.

For the annual Homecoming event, Georgia Tech is the rival football team. Homecoming decorations for the house are under the direction of Leo Holloway and A. O. Leinart.

Individual achievement: Virgil Houston has recently been elected president of the Nah-beeyayli Board, student governing organization for school dances. Mark Venrick has been elected to serve on the Fraternity Relations Board. Gene O'Blenness, a new pledge, is president of the Freshman Class, while Tom Frazier is the freshman representative. Tud

Payne was recently appointed assistant comp-troller of the chapter.

The Knoxville Alumni Association and the Mothers' Club are holding regular meetings.

—A. O. LEINART

## Texas

On the eve of the 1949 fall semester, Texas Alpha placed its old house on the market for sale and moved into a newly acquired one. At the same time we also acquired a house-mother, Mrs. L. Cassidy.

This new Sig Ep home is a delightful place, conveniently located near the campus. It is much larger than our old house, and much more comfortable; 40 men now reside in the house. There is plenty of room and facilities available for any occasion which might arise. We have nice furnishings, and we are quite proud of the appearance of the house; it is a sprawling, villa-type structure of white stucco and with many large windows.

Our first social function of the year was an open house, which we gave for Chi Omega. This was held on Sunday afternoon, October 2. Larry Calahan entertained with a song and dance routine, while Ed Andrews gave forth with his own interpretation of popular ballads. Corsages of the Chi O colors were presented to each of the guests, and Russian punch and cakes served.

Following the Oklahoma U.-Texas toss-up in Dallas October 8, the Dallas Alumni Chapter entertained the Texas and Oklahoma chapters with the annual Melrose Hotel party. At 6:00 we Sig Eps and our dates gathered in the Continental Room of that hotel for the cocktail hour, followed by a delightful buffet dinner. A Dallas society orchestra furnished the music for dancing throughout the evening.

On Saturday afternoon, October 15, Texas Alpha reigned socially as tops with its annual Tea Dansant at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel. This chic affair was preceded by a champagne party in the Mural Room, at which a popular pianist entertained with cocktail music. Hors d'oeuvres were served from a long banquet table with décor of black and white—rhyming with the prominent theme of the dance. The tea dance took place in an adjoining room, which the social committee had ardently decorated in the black and white of a Grecian theme. Roses of those colors and large Doric columns were painstakingly placed about the place.

Texas Alpha's rush week culminated in pledging 20 men from all points in Texas. Elections in the new pledge class were held immediately after rush week, Claude Goldsmith was elected president of the class.

Athletics: Texas Alpha has downed quite a few fraternity teams, with only a few more

games to play in order to win our bracket. Pledge Don Menasco is outstanding on the varsity Longhorn team, and pledges Reed Quinn and Freddy Simmons are competing on the squad.

—DON STEPHEN REEVES

## Thiel

Manpower: 32 actives and one pledge. Eighteen of the actives are living in the house which has been sparkling since "General" Joseph Huth has filled the slot of housemanager. The house has been improved through interior decoration. Two new rugs have been purchased. Alumnus Barney P. Perifano has purchased a new sofa and chair for the lounge room.

Penn Nu's first social function consisted of a hayride and wiener roast on September 23. Future functions are: October 29—IFC Halloween party; October 30, November 6, and November 13 are dates set for afternoon parties for each of the three sororities on campus, November 11—first anniversary dance.

We will be publishing our first newspaper, the *Penn Nus*, the first week in November. Loyal A. Black will be the editor.

Alfred Sommer, '49, has won the gratitude of the entire chapter for his donation towards the purchase of basketball uniforms.

—CHARLES L. BARBER

## Tulsa

Fall rush, guided by Jerry Brennen, netted 34 new men. Their pledgemaster is "Tyrant" John Burks, a recent transfer from Wyoming.

Our sports program this fall has centered around the ping-pong table and the horseshoe court at the chapter house. Intramurally, we have a 2-2-1 slate in football and a 0 for 3 starts in volleyball. In varsity competition, we are represented in football, basketball, and track; we have candidates for the swimming and tennis teams. Pledge Eldon Bush won a position on the varsity cheerleading squad.

In the fall elections the following were chosen: Maurie Richards, president; Bill Wilkinson, vice-president; Alan Roseman, comp-troller; Tom Carlson, historian; Jack Carlson, corresponding secretary; Miles Fidler, recording secretary; Bob Baker and Kenney Jones, marshals; and Bob Swain, guard.

A new kitchen has been set up by Joe Hanna, retiring president, and is managed by Bill Batson. The kitchen serves 16 "3-mealers" and from 40 to 50 tourists at the noon hour. With the house remodeling completed we are ready for a promising social season, including the Moonshiners Brawl November 12, a Halloween party, Christmas party and several informal parties throughout the fall semester.

Chuck Featherston has been awarded the Interfraternity Scholarship Plaque for his achievements in the Fine Arts School; Tom



Carlson received the Clifford B. Scott Award for the past year and was recently elected senior adviser to Phi Eta Sigma honorary.

—TOM CARLSON

## Utah State

As this report is written, we are still in the midst of rush, and 35 rushees have been to the house for a dinner staged by housemother Mrs. Robinson. Rush chairman is Joe Mezzo. A Sig Ep carnival will be held in November along with a smoker to finish off the rushing before first bid day.

October 16, five new actives were inducted: Doug Christensen, Jack Price, Richard Whitlock, Gale Hyde, and Walter Rosenloff. A new historian was elected to replace Robert McKenna; he is Richard Whitlock and will serve for fall and winter quarters.

Dick Phulson is a transfer from Iowa Beta.

Ray Knight was elected social chairman for the year to plan serenades with local sororities.

The intramural program, under Leroy Simmons, calls for participation in football, wrestling, basketball, and badminton.

—RICHARD WHITLOCK

## Virginia

Virginia Eta has adopted the resolution recommended by the scholarship committee at the Chicago Conclave and now requires that a pledge have a scholastic average as high as that required by the University for a degree before he may be initiated. Sig Ep is one of three fraternities which have such a requirement, of the 25 at the University.

Walkley Johnson, '31, was the speaker at the annual Homecoming banquet October 15; 116 actives, alumni, wives, and dates gathered at the Monticello Hotel for the banquet and the traditional formal dance at the chapter house later in the evening. Brother Mapp headed the social committee.

Jack Hunter, editor of the *Sig Ep Cavalier*, our Frayser Award-Winning chapter newspaper, is editor-in-chief of the *Cavalier Daily*, student newspaper of the University of Virginia.

Robert Brown has been elected to Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity.

Graduation moved along six actives to the alumni rolls at the end of the University's summer quarter: Oliver A. Chalifoux, Douglas Mercer Joyner, Jimmy Patrick Miraglotta, John A. Haffing, Fenton O. Gilliam, and George Lewis Bridgforth.

Harry Lewis, '49, and Chris Warthan, '49, have an apartment near the Hopkins Sig Ep house in Baltimore where Harry is with Baker and Watts and Chris is with a publishing house.

Pat Charles has been elected to the Jefferson Society, the University's principal literary group. President Jim Phillips was elected to ODK and is member of the IFC governing board. Jim is

also engineering school representative on the Student Council.

Bill Yowell is president of the Y.M.C.A. for 1949-50, and Jim Taylor was elected secretary. At the Y banquet last spring, Harry Thompson, '48, was awarded a key in recognition of his service as the "most outstanding member of the Y Student Cabinet" for the year.

—WALTER L. LEWIS

## Wake Forest

Manpower: 17 men lost through graduation; 42 actives back in school. On October 18, twenty-nine men pledged, the second largest number pledged on the campus.

New initiate: Bill Waddell.

The dining hall, an outstanding feature of chapter, is operated by members with the help of two cooks and is under the supervision of our housemother, Mrs. Madge Winders.

Varsity football: Ken Bridges, a sophomore from Shelby, holds down a substitute end position. Ed Sally, a junior from Fayetteville, is a substitute quarterback.

October 22, N.C. Zeta welcomed back the alumni for the annual Homecoming Day festivities and football game. The week-end was topped off by the annual Homecoming dance held in Memorial Auditorium in Raleigh, with the music by Dean Hudson and his orchestra.

—WILLIAM L. MOSES

## Washington

Seventeen new men were pledged: Robert Berglund, David Campbell, William Dippolito, Charles Evans, James Johnston, Clifford Johnson, Thomas Kane, Robert Laws, Jack Leach, Richard Lukens, William McCoy, James McLees, Harlow Minch, Richard Nyberg, Richard Seifert, Robert Swetnam, David Rarig, and Merl Ross.

James Mattson was initiated on October 16 in a special initiation.

Our annual pledge-active football game was won by the pledges 12-0. Bob Swetnam and Jack Hupp made the touchdowns for the pledges.

In intermural sports our flag football team has won one and lost one.

Social Chairman Norm O'Donnel, a new affiliate from Washington State Alpha has produced a good program of firesides, post-game exchanges, and exchanges. "Pajama Party" is the theme chosen by the pledges for this year's pledge dance.

Plans for a big alumni open house have been made for the Homecoming weekend of October 28 to 30. Homecoming festivities begin with the sign contest. Our entry this year depicts a Husky crashing into a California Trojan for a touchdown. The Homecoming game is Saturday afternoon with the Homecoming Dance Saturday evening. —DON MOON



### Washington State

Having pledged 10 men since the beginning of the semester the house roster now stands at 50 plus five outside members consisting of married students on the campus. The new pledges are: Jim Dolle, Rod Ingham, Doug Cranston, Gil Diethelm, Bob Thompson, Glen Kranc, Bob McDougall, Morry Pierce, Bill Kirk, Tommy Graham, and Ralph Baum.

The following men were initiated on September 29: Bruce Evans, John Marks, Leo Roininen, Barrie Burkhalter, and Roy Burke.

Activities: Fall at W.S.C. is always the big season for activities such as football games and rallies, Homecoming, Dads' Day, etc. On October 8, a total of 23 dads were present for the football game and the house stag party. On October 22 the house engaged in its most successful Homecoming in recent years with a record number of grads on hand to witness the W.S.C. vs. U.C.L.A. football game. A buffet dinner was served after the game, and later in the evening a dress fireside.

We started off this semester with the usual series of firesides and exchange dances. This year's pledges selected a jungle theme for their dance November 29. The evening started off with a safari complete with drums to pick up the boys' dates. The upstairs was decorated as a jungle, resembling darkest Africa, and the basement served as the ceremonial cave. Entrance to the house was gained through a stockade affair made out of three-inch saplings.

Among future functions are a pheasant and beer stag party, and the Alumni Dinner to be held in Spokane.

—UNSIGNED

### Washington (St. Louis)

Initiated (September 25): Homer Day, Arthur Dixon, Richard Hirschl, Donald Schopp, Vernon Taylor, and Otto Walters.

Westminster pledges pull Alpha Sigma Phi pledges into Neshannock Creek in annual tug o' war which has become a tradition, with some 3,000 spectators.



The chapter moved into its new suite of rooms in Lee Hall in time for the fall rush week. When rushing was over the following men became members of the present pledge class: William Bush, Jack Dienstfrei, Robert Evans, Lorin Griggs, Robert Kuebler, Walter Lobel, John Luedde, Francis Niehaus, William Thurman, and "Buddy" Wardlaw. Seven men have been carried over from the previous semester. Several more pledges will be taken in, however, when open rushing begins in November.

The social calendar was unveiled on the evening of September 25 following the Missouri "Miner" Washington U. football game. The fall pledge dance was given at that time amid streamers of red and purple in the Student Center. Entertainment was provided by brothers Robert Hempe who acted as emcee and Milt Albert who presented a magic show. The dance was highlighted by the presence of Field Secretaries Frank J. Ruck, Jr. and Charles Pafford. Sig Ep members of the Rolla football team attended as guests.

October 28 became the occasion for a "Hay And A Hi" party. After a hayride the evening was completed with a blue-jean party at which time Diana Dowell, Delta Delta Delta, was selected as Sig Ep hay queen. Diana is also the chapter's candidate for Homecoming queen.

Our Mothers' Club has been very active in giving able assistance when needed. At present the club consists of some 20 members. October 17 the mothers gave a dinner-luncheon. Officers of the club are: Mrs. Boettcher, president; Mrs. F. Ryder, vice-president; Mrs. Hempe, treasurer; and Mrs. Brice, secretary. Regular business meetings are held at least once a month.

Newly elected officers of the chapter are: Erwin Lafser, president; Robert Kenski, vice-president; Louis Bruggeman, historian; Arthur Boettcher, secretary; and Robert Bonnell, comptroller.

—DON PAULS

### Westminster

The house has been greatly improved, the downstairs remodeled, a modern bathroom and a spacious dining-room installed. Last year the kitchen was refurbished. Among those who are mainly responsible for the improvements in the house are Russ Koch, Harvy Connors, and Jack Cooper.

A new sixteen-inch screen television set has brought a new interest in the members and was a great attraction during the rush period which started October 24.

There are 64 members, 19 of whom are living in the house.

The Sig Eps have ten men playing varsity football this year: Champ Barthelson, back; Richard Silvester, back; James Campbell, back;

Robert Ward, back; Charles Nicholas, end; Bracy Mitchell, tackle; Jack Ramsey, tackle; Ralph Stevens, guard; Jim Cooley, guard; William Hamer, tackle.

Intramural football: In the "A" league the Sig Ep team, sparked by Warren "Speedy" Smith, Jim "Doc" Russel, and Ralph "Book" Orr, have lost one game while winning three. In the "B" league the "B" team has gone undefeated in four games. With only a few games remaining, the Sig Ep teams are in a position to win two intramural cups, one for the winner of the league competition and another for the team with the best record.

—RICHARD SOLOMON

## Wisconsin

Wisconsin Beta has started off the fall semester by redecorating. "Unusual colors" are being featured in the sleeping and studying quarters. We have also added some new living-room furniture, and a new radio-phonograph.

The alumni committee, headed by Jim Tschudy and Jack Schwantes, have arranged with us to hold open house for the alumni after each home football game. The chapter is holding a Founders' Day dinner November 1.

Preparations for Homecoming on November 12 and Christmas formal on December 10 are gaining momentum. The theme for Homecoming is to be a gigantic udder of a cow with the students, the team, the coach, and the faculty, all "pulling together" for victory. Our formal will be at the Park Hotel here in Madison and Dick Todd and his orchestra will furnish the music. All alumni are invited and urged to make reservations early.

Bob Swanson has two daily radio shows over station WISC which is affiliated with the ABC network. In the morning from 11:30 to 12:00 he puts on a show "To The Ladies" and from 12:30 to 2:00 he has "The Bob Swanson Show."

—FRED G. BLUM, JR.

## Worcester

Fifty-eight Tech Sig Eps returned three days before the opening of school to make a series of house improvements under the direction of house manager Mal Horton. The actives re-finished the floors in all of the second-floor rooms and the front hall, painted the kitchen and all of the rooms of the second floor, and redecorated the ladies' room and lounge room.

October 6 Dick Foltz was elected vice-president to replace Jack Forster, who had transferred to the University of Massachusetts. October 12 Paul Bates Edwards was initiated.

Varsity football: Sig Ep standouts among the players are: Al Hansen, co-captain-guard; Joe Jiunnies, quarterback, and Ed Carpenter, tackle, Defensive halfback Stan Miller and tackle



Men of Wisconsin look over prospects of their first new mascot since World War II.

Ralph Auerback are also doing fine work on the gridiron. The team manager is house president Don Jordan and the assistant manager is Paul Radasch.

Five Sig Eps have positions on the varsity soccer team: Joe Sisson, Warren Palmer, Mal Horton, Dick Schmitt, and John Orcutt.

Thus far the house has had two planned parties, one a victory celebration after the University of Massachusetts football game, and the other a Homecoming party in honor of returning alumni.

—OWEN OTT

## Wyoming

A total of 30 pledges including one carry-over, with the active chapter totaling 47, including inactive married men, brings the grand total to 77 and is the largest number in our chapter's 6-year history.

This year's Homecoming added another trophy to our chapter. Three times in the last four years we have won the "most original" house decoration, and once the "most original" float. Competition is improving every year.

We were also fortunate in receiving two new transfers who affiliated: B. A. Wickstrom, Illinois Gamma, and Carl E. Hendrickson, Montana Alpha.

The German band, under the leadership of Dale Chamberlain, is expected to make as good a showing this year as they did last year wearing uniforms provided by the Cheyenne Mothers' Club.

Four top jobs on the yearbook are held by Wyoming Sig Eps. Editor is Ted Chapman; business manager is Frank Norris. The fraternity and sorority editor is Russell Patterson, while William Lewis is art editor. This is the second year that we've had the editorship and business managership.

Hank Barlow and Don Babbit represent the senior and junior classes in the student senate. Jerry Hinkley, senator from Phi Epsilon Phi pep organization, transferred this year to Colorado A & M.

The house is full to capacity and at present we are feeding 45.

—WILLIAM E. LEWIS

# Good of the Order

## ★ SO YOU'RE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN ★

By JERRY K. MATHIS, Scholarship Chairman, Monmouth



Scholarship chairman Jerry Mathis.

Sigma Phi Epsilon adds much to the life of any man who becomes associated with it. It makes him a better person. Thinking about this we find that the broad program of our Fraternity is a combination of many small but very important things.

One of the ways Sigma Phi Epsilon aids both active and pledge is by offering him assistance with his studies. While we are not interested in grades merely as an end in themselves, we do realize the importance of helping a man tackle the job of scholarship with the sincerity

and enthusiasm typical of a Sig Ep's approach to life itself.

To carry out this specific job, your chapter president has appointed you Scholarship Chairman. You haven't been given an easy job that can be settled merely by giving a brief "pep talk" on the importance of reasonably good grades. It's a job that will utilize all the time you can devote to it. The important thing to keep in mind is the fact that *you're dealing with individuals*. When you run into trouble, start looking into individual cases. And when you locate that trouble, remedy it by helping the individual concerned. What you need is a plan for every man. The solution to the scholarship problem is not to formulate a group plan and then mold the man to fit that plan: Instead work toward a positive goal just as our brotherhood seeks through VIRTUE, DILIGENCE, and BROTHERLY LOVE to help all brothers realize their ultimate goals.

You will use many tools in dealing with your job of scholarship; however, the tools you use will be useful only if they are based upon individual need.

So you've been appointed Scholarship Chairman. Congratulations! You have the opportunity of helping every man in your chapter to utilize his ability more fully, and you also have the opportunity, through your work, of seeing Sigma Phi Epsilon assume the lead in scholarship as in everything else. What more could you ask!

## ★ THE MERIT SYSTEM AT NEBRASKA ★

Constructive work is the theme of the merit system at Nebraska. All pledges are expected to earn an average of 50 merits per week.

Following is a list of obtainable merits to which additions or subtractions may be made by the active chapter.

Item	No. of Merits
Housework .....	0-10
Intramural spectator .....	2
Intramural participant .....	5
Rushee brought to house .....	5
Rushee pledged .....	35
Voluntary Work .....	1 per 10 min.
Satisfactory scholastic report .....	50 per 6 wks.
Varsity sports participant .....	20 per wks.
(an extra 10 merits per game)	
Activities .....	10 per wk.
(an extra 10 merits per public appearance)	
Dates with university girls .....	5 weekly max.
Attitude (see note) .....	25 per week

Pledge class officers	
president .....	10 upon election
all other officers .....	5 upon election

Each pledge is graded by the active chapter and his committee chairman every Monday night on his general attitude and helpful suggestions for the past week. He is able to earn a total of 25 merits; however, deductions are made so that it is possible to get a minus number of merits. Deductions are:

Noise in study hall .....	2
Absent from study hall .....	5
Failure to wear pledge pins .....	3
Failure to answer telephone .....	3
Failure to answer doorbell .....	3
Lights left on in room .....	2
Drinking in house .....	25
Failure to do housework .....	10
Miscellaneous minor infractions .....	1

## ★ HOW WE ORGANIZED A PLEDGE POINT SYSTEM ★

By **BOB FLOHE**, Missouri Mines

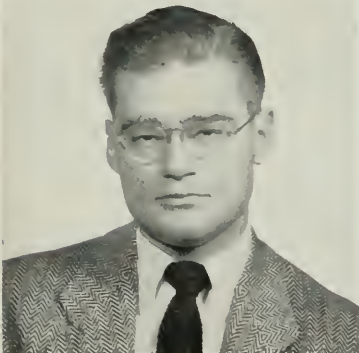
The old pledge point system stated that "all pledges must earn a minimum of fifty points per week." The pledge could earn these points in many ways, such as by working, participating in activities at school, attending social functions, etc. However, as the case usually was, the pledge earned all his points in just one or two fields of endeavor. Some pledges worked around the house during every free period they had, but were very inactive in extracurricular activities, while others would participate in so

many activities that they found it possible to make their fifty points without working at all.

The new system states that each pledge must make 50 points per week, both through work and activities. If a pledge is lying down in any field, he will be so told, and must participate in that field. This is beneficial to man and chapter.

Moreover, he will be developing himself into a well-rounded personality, and will better enable himself to get along on his own, after he receives that coveted diploma.

## ★ A PAIR OF LUSTY NEW WORKERS ★



Assistant District Governor Willard F. Agnew, who will assist Governor Dick Pharr in charge of District 21.

### **Agnew Will Help Pharr**

Willard Fischer Agnew, Pennsylvania Eta, '48, was appointed in September to serve as Assistant District Governor of District XXI, under Richard R. Pharr, West Virginia Beta, Governor. This area takes in the chapters at Pitt, Penn State, Bucknell, Westminster, Thiel, West Virginia, Marshall, and Davis and Elkins.

He is 25 years old, attends the law college of the University of Pittsburgh, and is engaged to a childhood sweetheart. His brother, Bert L. Agnew, was not only his chapter brother at State but was graduated in the same year.

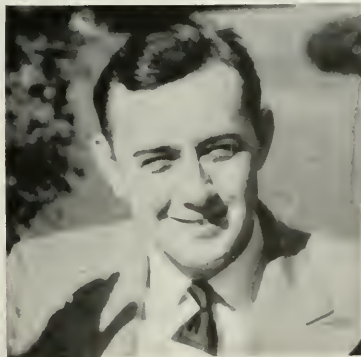
Willard was his chapter's official delegate to the 1947 Conclave at Kansas City and served his chapter at various times as president, social chairman, rushing chairman, caterer, and

IFC representative. Incidentally, he was president of the IFC for one year.

Other campus activities included the all-College Cabinet, assistant managership of the basketball team, and membership on the Hetzel Memorial Committee and the Student Welfare Committee. He is also a member of Delta Sigma Pi (honorary commerce), Lion's Paw, and Skull and Bones. At Pitt, he is a member of Delta Theta Phi, legal fraternity.

### **Pafford a Traveler**

Charles H. Pafford, Jr., newest of the Fraternity's field secretaries, has enjoyed a fine preparatory period for fraternity work, both at the University of Florida, where he enrolled in 1945, and at John B. Stetson University, DeLand, where he transferred in the fall of 1947.



John B. Stetson's contribution to our topnotch field secretariat, Charles Pafford, Jr. (see story)



# ★ Directory of Officers ★



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At Florida, Chuck was pledge president, and moved quickly up through the offices of junior marshal, IFC representative, vice-president, to the presidency. At Stetson, he enlisted the help of Bonnell Coachman and Robert Willard to reorganize the dormant Chi Mu local which was installed as Florida Beta of Sigma Phi Epsilon on February 12, 1949.

He was a leader of this new chapter from the beginning and served as its first president. His last task for it as an undergraduate was to represent it as official delegate to the Chicago Conclave in September. Having performed this duty and performed it well, he officially took his place on the staff of the Central Office.

Charles Pafford was born at Orlando, Florida, on July 6, 1927. He attended Mainland High School at Daytona Beach and while there was a member of the track and football teams, glee club, school paper, and yearbook. When he entered the University of Florida upon his graduation, he proved to be a singer as well as an athlete, serving as president of the University Glee Club. Not content with this accomplishment, he also became University handball champion and served as a college cheerleader as well.

At Stetson he became football manager after an injury put an end to his further participation in that sport. He was elected treasurer of the senior class of the liberal arts college and with another Sig Ep, Jack Winfree, copped the campus handball championship.

With all his capabilities, Chuck is a modest fellow, extremely likable, though he shuns the cold of our northern campuses. As this issue of the JOURNAL goes to press, he is making his way upon an itinerary through the Midwest.



Charles Pafford, Jr., when he was president at Stetson, receiving charter from Bailey.

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